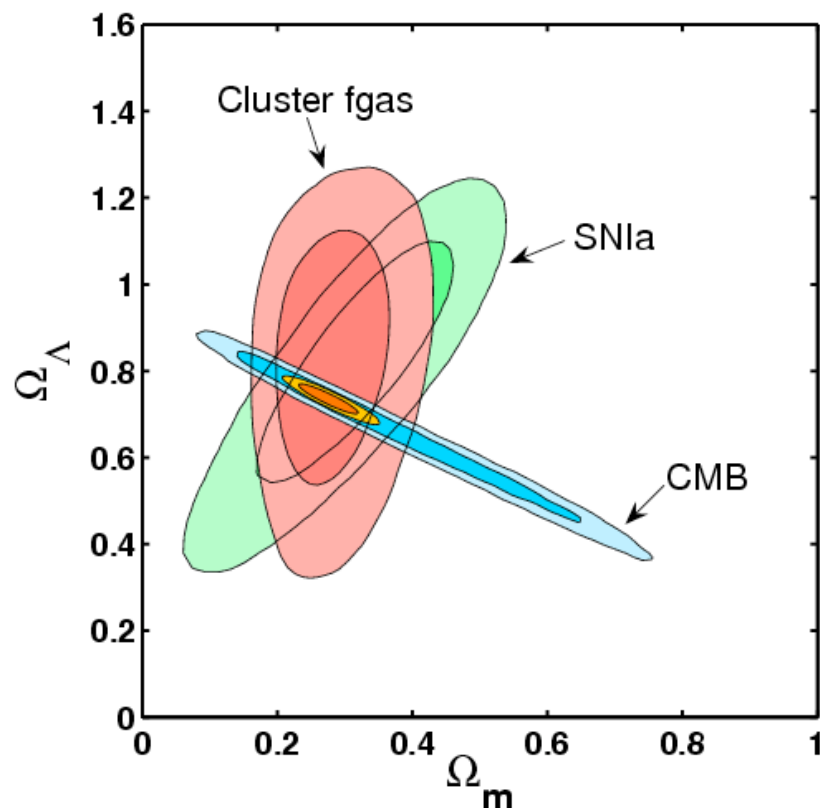


# X-ray clusters and cosmology

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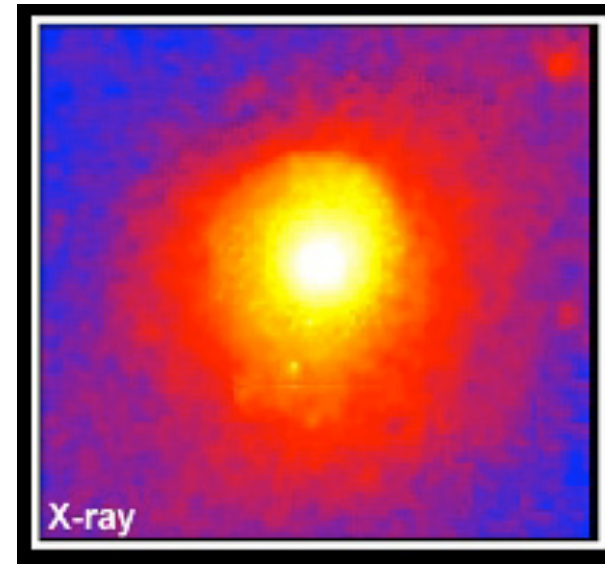
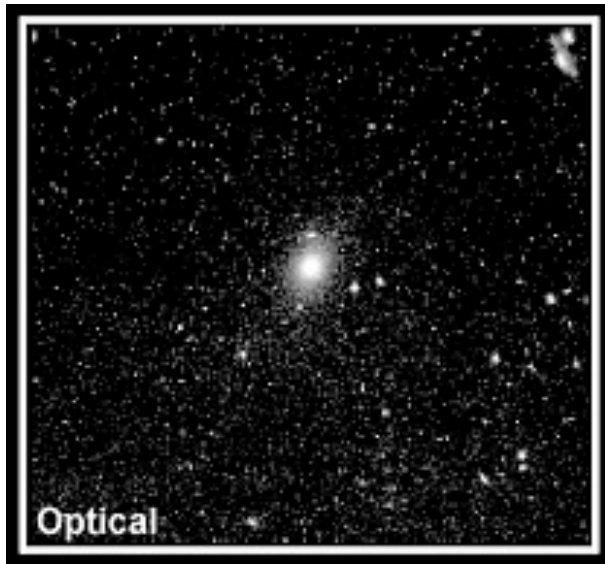


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## Why study clusters at X-ray wavelengths?

Most baryons in clusters (like Universe) are in form of gas, not stars (6x more).  
In clusters, gravity squeezes gas, heating it to X-ray temperatures ( $10^7$ - $10^8$  K)



Since clusters only shine in X-rays if they really are massive, X-ray observations produce remarkably [clean cluster catalogues](#), vital for cosmology.

Primary X-ray observables (density, temperature) relate directly to total (dark plus luminous) mass in a way that's well understood (hydrostatic equilibrium) and can be well modelled by hydro. simulations.

## Outline of the talk

1) Constraints on the mean matter density  $\Omega_m$  and dark energy ( $\Omega_{de,w}$ ) from measurements of the baryonic mass fraction in the largest dynamically relaxed clusters [distance measurements].

2) Constraints on the mean matter density  $\Omega_m$ , the amplitude of matter fluctuations  $\sigma_8$ , and dark energy ( $\Omega_{de,w}$ ), from the evolution of the number density of X-ray luminous clusters [growth of cosmic structure].

+ a little on what these tests can do in combination.

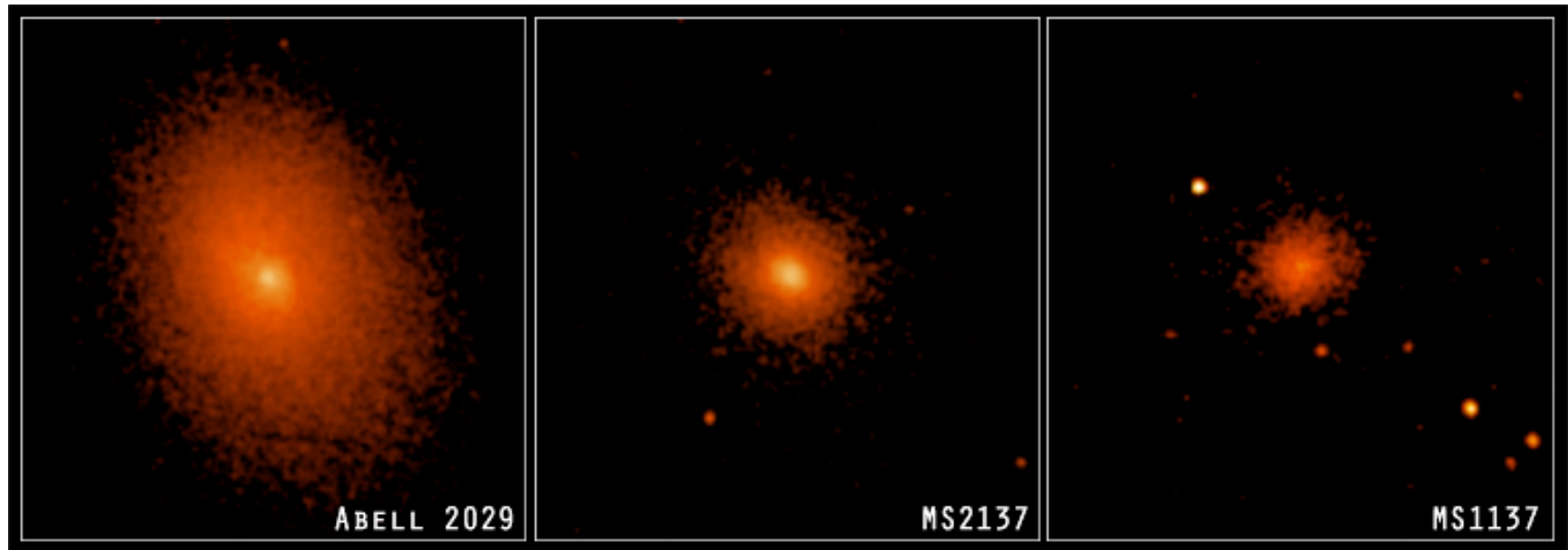
# Probing cosmology with X-ray clusters

## 1. The fgas experiment

Allen et al. 2008, MNRAS, 383, 879

(See also White & Frenk '91; Fabian '91; Briel et al. '92; White et al '93; David et al. '95; White & Fabian '95; Evrard '97; Mohr et al '99; Ettori & Fabian '99; Roussel et al. '00; Grego et al '00; Ettori et al. '03; Sanderson et al. '03; Lin et al. '03; LaRoque et al. '06; Allen et al. '02, '03, '04.)

## The Chandra data



42 hot ( $kT > 5\text{keV}$ ), highly X-ray luminous ( $L_X > 10^{45} h_{70}^{-2} \text{ erg/s}$ ), dynamically relaxed clusters spanning redshifts  $0 < z < 1.1$  (lookback time of 8Gyr)

**Regular X-ray morphology:** sharp central X-ray surface brightness peak, minimal X-ray isophote centroid variation, low power-ratios (morphological selection).

# Constraining $\Omega_m$ with $f_{\text{gas}}$ measurements

**BASIC IDEA (White & Frenk 1991):** Galaxy clusters are so large that their matter content should provide a fair sample of matter content of Universe.

For relaxed clusters: X-ray data  $\rightarrow$  good total mass measurements  
 $\rightarrow$  precise X-ray gas mass measurements

If we define:

$$f_{\text{gas}} = \frac{\text{X-ray gas mass}}{\text{total cluster mass}} \quad s = f_{\text{star}}/f_{\text{gas}} \sim 0.16$$

eg Lin & Mohr 04  
Fukugita et al '98

Then:

$$f_{\text{baryon}} = f_{\text{star}} + f_{\text{gas}} = f_{\text{gas}}(1 + s)$$

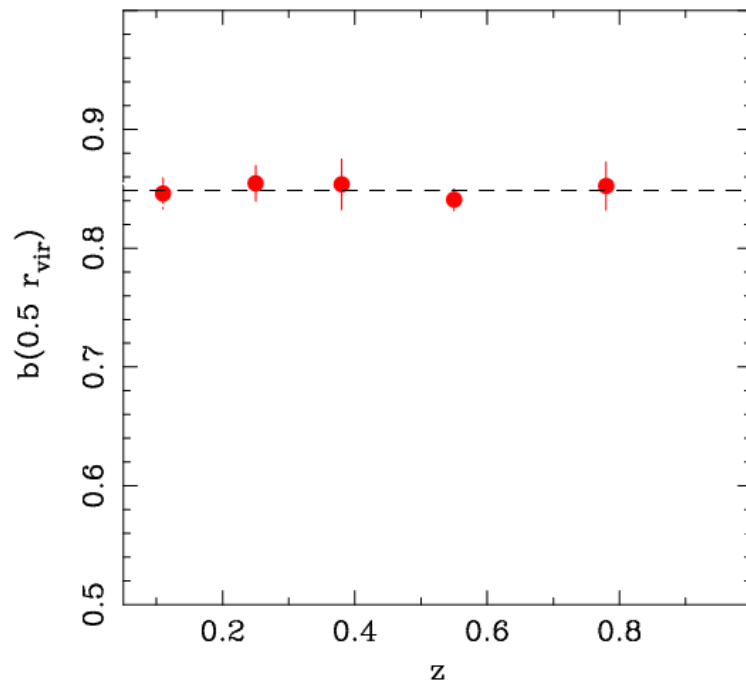
Since clusters provide  $\sim$  fair sample of Universe  $f_{\text{baryon}} = b\Omega_b/\Omega_m$

$$\Omega_m = \frac{b\Omega_b}{f_{\text{baryon}}} = \frac{b\Omega_b}{f_{\text{gas}}(1+s)}$$

# Constraining dark energy with $f_{\text{gas}}$ measurements

The measured  $f_{\text{gas}}$  values depend upon assumed distances to clusters  $f_{\text{gas}} \propto d^{1.5}$ . This introduces apparent systematic variations in  $f_{\text{gas}}(z)$  depending on differences between reference cosmology and true cosmology.

What do we expect to observe?



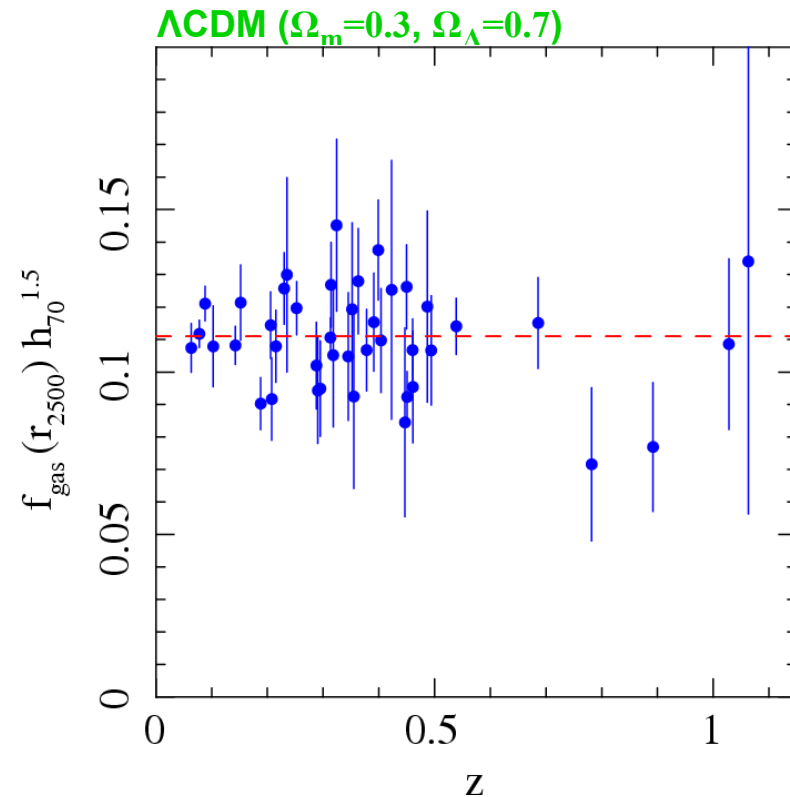
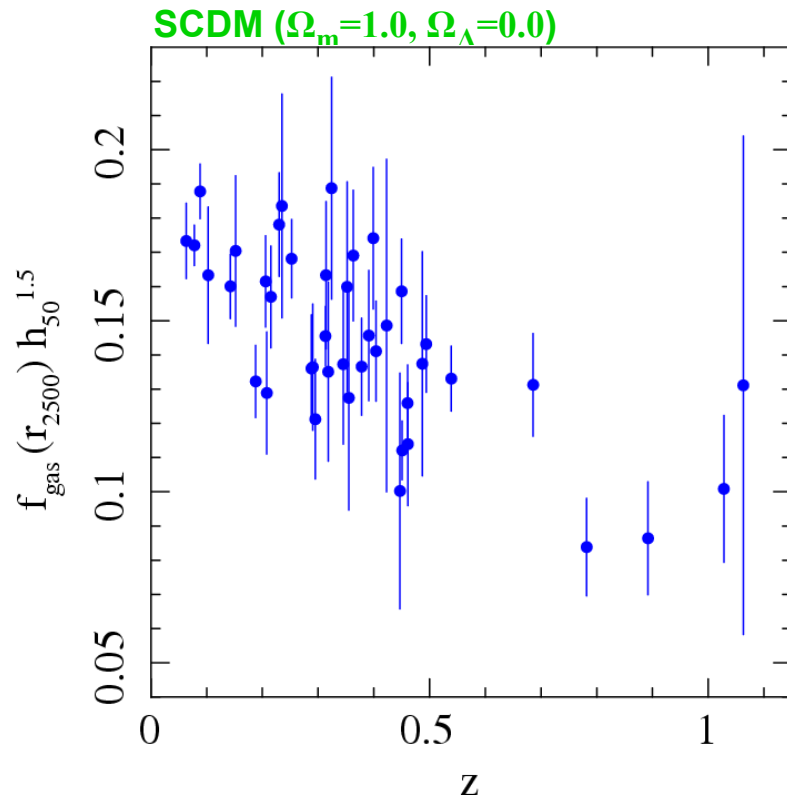
## Simulations: (non-radiative)

For large ( $kT > 5\text{keV}$ ) relaxed clusters simulations suggest little evolution of depletion factor  $b(z)$  within  $z < 1$ .

So we expect the observed  $f_{\text{gas}}(z)$  values to be approx. constant with  $z$ .

Precise prediction of  $b(z)$  is a key task for new hydro. simulations.

## Chandra results on $f_{\text{gas}}(z)$



Brute-force determination of  $f_{\text{gas}}(z)$  for two reference cosmologies:

→ Inspection clearly favours  $\Lambda$ CDM over SCDM cosmology.



To quantify: fit data with model which accounts for apparent variation in  $f_{\text{gas}}(z)$  as underlying cosmology is varied → find best fit cosmology.

$$f_{\text{gas}}(z) = \frac{KA\gamma b(z)}{1 + s(z)} \left( \frac{\Omega_b}{\Omega_m} \right) \left[ \frac{d_A^{\text{LCDM}}(z)}{d_A^{\text{model}}(z)} \right]^{1.5}$$

# Allowances for systematic uncertainties

Our full analysis includes a comprehensive and conservative treatment of potential sources of systematic uncertainty in current analysis.

## 1) The depletion factor (simulation physics, gas clumping etc.)

$$b(z)=b_0(1+\alpha_b z) \quad \begin{array}{l} 20\% \text{ uniform prior on } b_0 \text{ (simulation physics)} \\ 10\% \text{ uniform prior on } \alpha_b \text{ (simulation physics)} \end{array}$$

## 2) Baryonic mass in stars: define $s = f_{\text{star}}/f_{\text{gas}} = 0.16h_{70}^{0.5}$

$$s(z)=s_0(1+\alpha_s z) \quad \begin{array}{l} 30\% \text{ Gaussian uncertainty in } s_0 \text{ (observational uncertainty)} \\ 20\% \text{ uniform prior on } \alpha_s \text{ (observational uncertainty)} \end{array}$$

## 3) Non-thermal pressure support in gas: (primarily bulk motions)

$$\gamma = M_{\text{true}}/M_{\text{X-ray}} \quad 10\% \text{ (standard) or } 20\% \text{ (weak) uniform prior } 1 < \gamma < 1.2$$

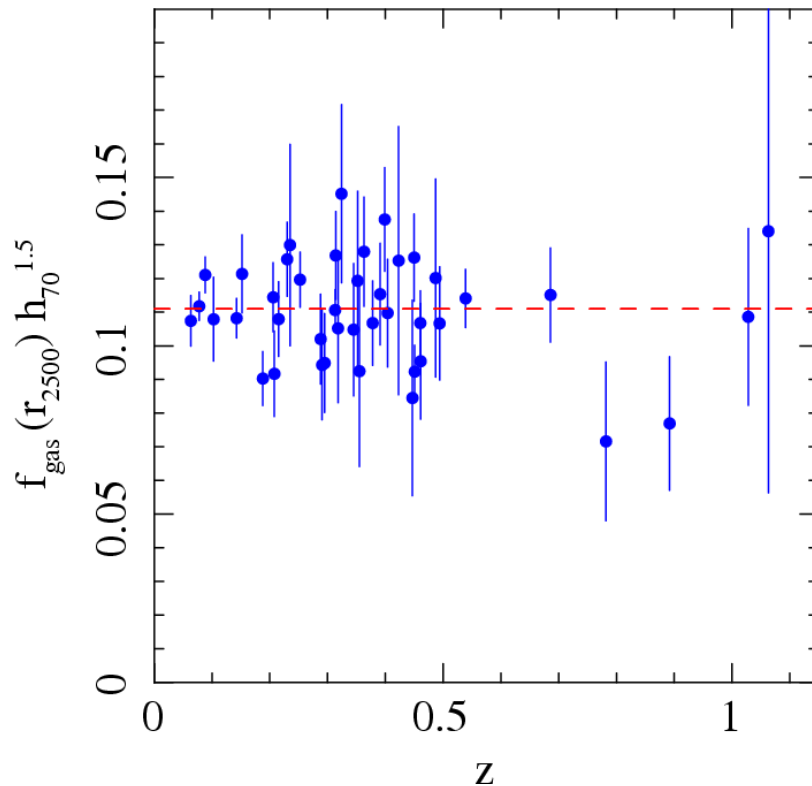
## 4) Instrument calibration, X-ray modelling

$$K \quad 10\% \text{ Gaussian uncertainty}$$

With these (conservative) allowances for systematics

Model:

$$f_{\text{gas}}(z) = \frac{KA\gamma b(z)}{1 + s(z)} \left( \frac{\Omega_b}{\Omega_m} \right) \left[ \frac{d_A^{\text{LCDM}}(z)}{d_A^{\text{model}}(z)} \right]^{1.5}$$



## Results ( $\Lambda$ CDM)

Full allowance for systematics + standard priors:  
( $\Omega_b h^2 = 0.0214 \pm 0.0020$ ,  $h = 0.72 \pm 0.08$ )

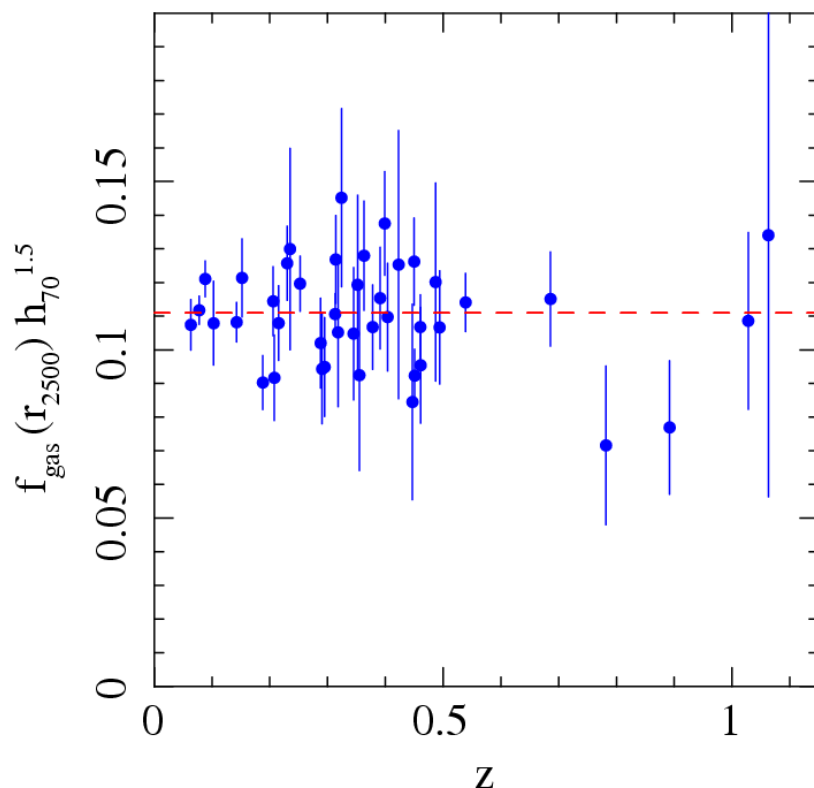
Best-fit parameters ( $\Lambda$ CDM):

$$\Omega_m = 0.27 \pm 0.06, \Omega_\Lambda = 0.86 \pm 0.19$$

(Note also good fit:  $\chi^2 = 41.5/40$ )

Important

## The low systematic scatter in the $f_{\text{gas}}(z)$ data



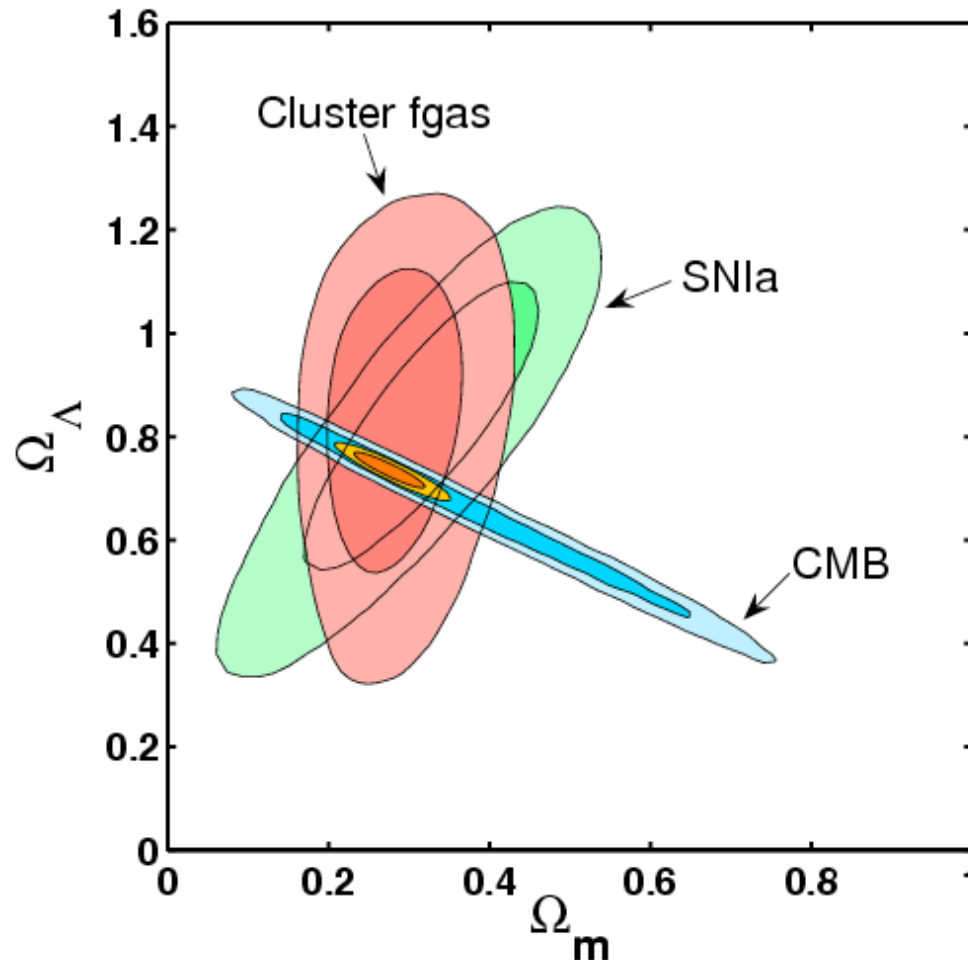
The  $\chi^2$  value is acceptable even though rms scatter about the best-fit model is only 15% in  $f_{\text{gas}}$ , or 10% in distance.

Weighted-mean scatter only 7.2% in  $f_{\text{gas}}$  or 4.8% in distance). c.f. SNIa, for which systematic scatter detected at  $\sim 7\%$  level (distance).

Consistent with expectation from simulations (e.g. Nagai et al. '07)

The low systematic scatter in  $f_{\text{gas}}(z)$  data offers the prospect to probe cosmic acceleration to high precision using the next generation of X-ray observatories e.g. Constellation-X (Rapetti & Allen, astro-ph/0710.0440).

## Comparison of independent constraints ( $\Lambda$ CDM)



Allen et al 2008

$f_{\text{gas}}$  analysis: 42 clusters  
including standard  $\Omega_b h^2$ ,  
and  $h$  priors and full  
systematic allowances

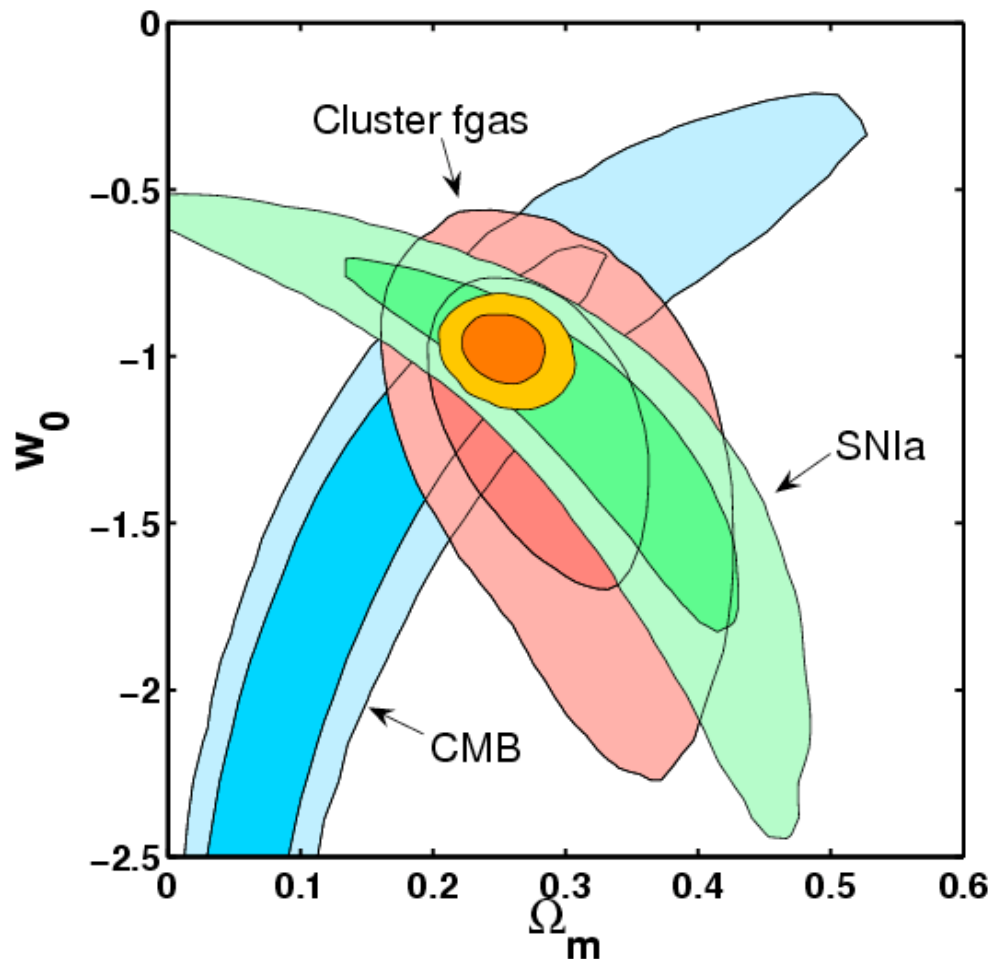
CMB data (WMAP-3yr  
+CBI+ACBAR + prior  
 $0.2 < h < 2.0$ )

Supernovae data from  
Davis et al. '07 (192  
SNIa, ESSENCE+  
SNLS+HST+nearby).

Combined constraint (68%)

$$\Omega_m = 0.275 \pm 0.033$$
$$\Omega_\Lambda = 0.735 \pm 0.023$$

## Dark energy equation of state:



### Constant w model:

Analysis assumes flat prior.

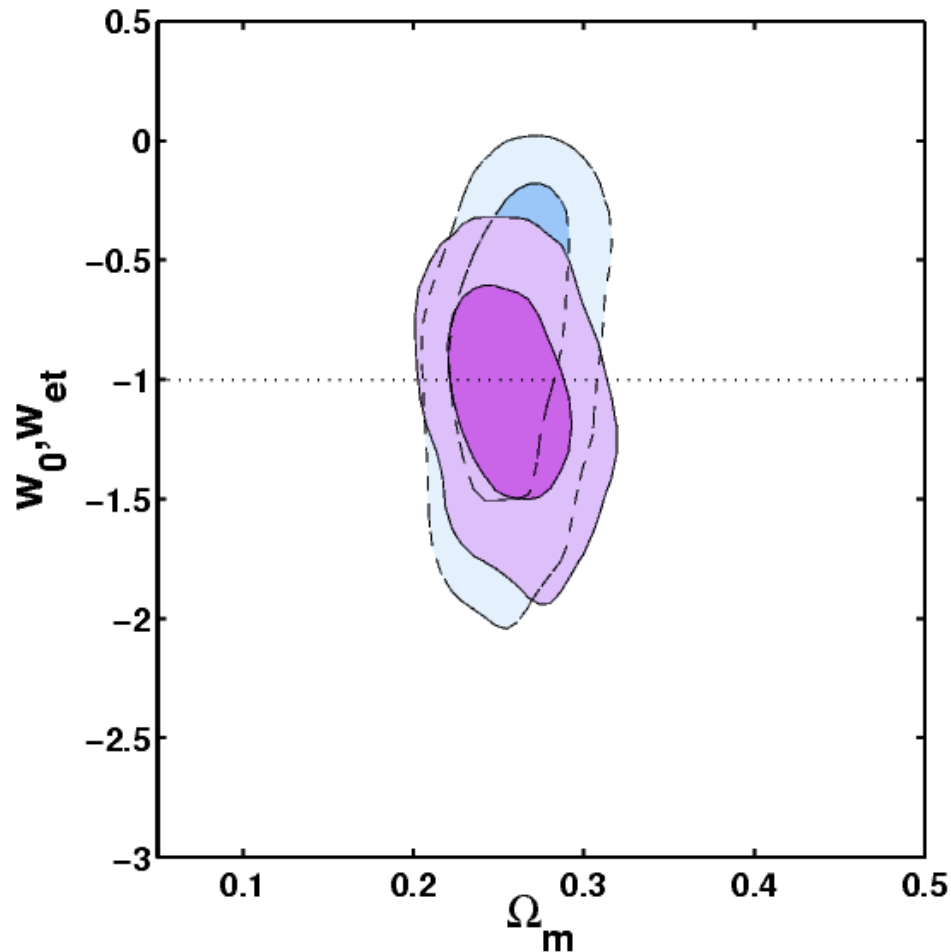
68.3, 95.4% confidence limits  
for all three data sets  
consistent with each other.

Combined constraints (68%)

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_m &= 0.253 \pm 0.021 \\ w_0 &= -0.98 \pm 0.07\end{aligned}$$

Note: combination with CMB data removes the need for  $\Omega_b h^2$  and  $h$  priors.

## Results for evolving equation of state (flat prior)



### Free transition redshift:

$$w = \frac{w_0 Z_t + w_{et} Z}{Z + Z_t}$$

Allow  $0.5 < 1/(1+z_t) < 0.95$ .

Marginalized constraints (68%)

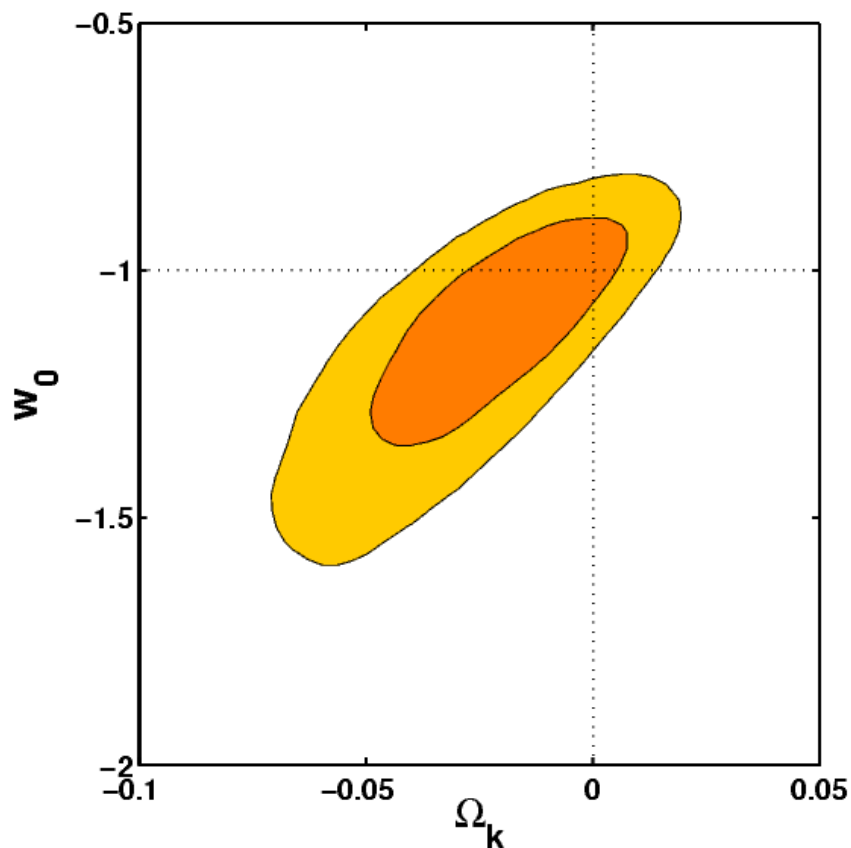
$$w_0 = -1.05 (+0.31, -0.26)$$

$$w_{et} = -0.83 (+0.48, -0.43)$$

Conclude: fgas+CMB+SNla data consistent with cosmological constant model.

## Relaxing the flat prior (constant w model)

Due to the complementary nature of the fgas+CMB+SNla data, one can drop the assumption of  $\Omega_K=0$  in the analysis and still obtain tight constraints on DE.



### Marginalized constraints (68%)

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_M &= 0.278 (+0.064, -0.050) \\ \Omega_{DE} &= 0.732 (+0.040, -0.046) \\ w_0 &= -1.08 (+0.13, -0.19) \\ \Omega_K &= -0.011 (+0.015, -0.017)\end{aligned}$$



# Probing cosmology with X-ray clusters

## 2. The growth of cosmic structure (evolution of the XLF)

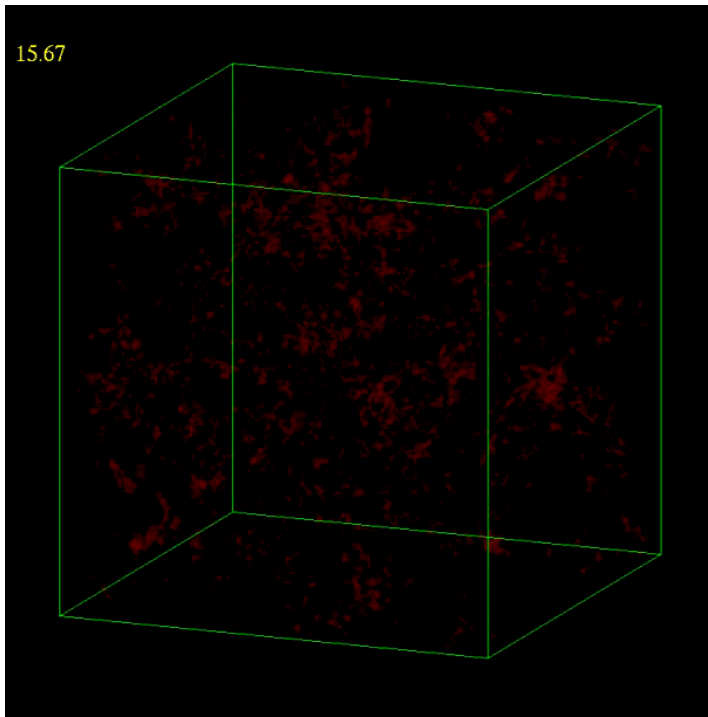
Mantz et al. 2008, MNRAS, in press (astro-ph/0709.4294)

(See also e.g. Borgani et al '01; Reiprich & Bohringer '02; Seljak '02; Viana et al '02; Allen et al. '03; Pierpaoli et al. '03; Vikhlinin et al. '03; Schuecker et al '03; Voevodkin & Vikhlinin '04; Henry '04; Dahle '06 etc.)

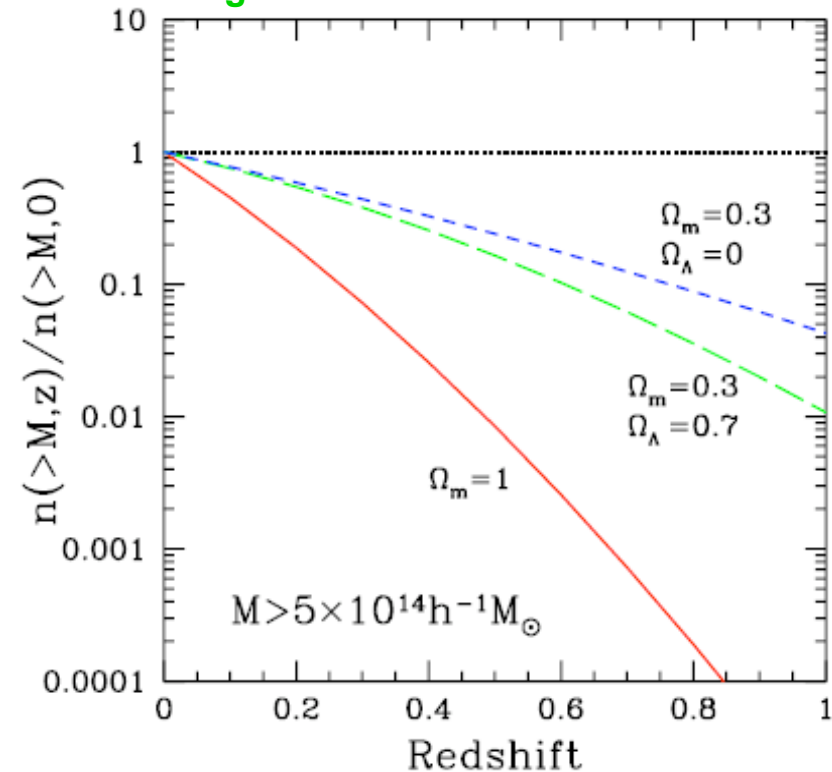
# Cluster growth of structure experiments

Moore et al.

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Borgani '06



The observed growth rate of galaxy clusters provides (highly) complementary constraints on dark matter and dark energy to those from distance measurements.

## Ingredients for cluster growth of structure experiments

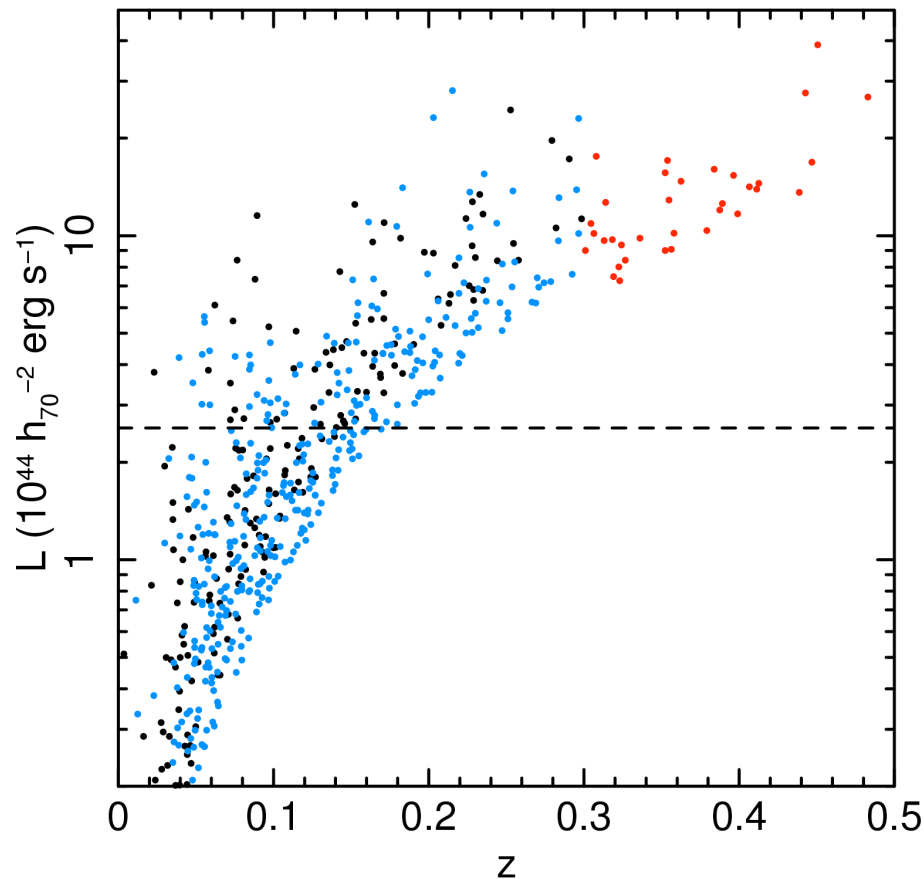
[THEORY] The predicted mass function for clusters,  $n(M,z)$ , as a function of cosmological parameters ( $\sigma_8, \Omega_m, w_0, w_a$  etc) ← in hand from current + near future numerical simulations (e.g. Jenkins et al. '01)

[CLUSTER SURVEY] A large, wide-area, clean, complete cluster survey, with a well defined selection function.

Current leading work based on ROSAT X-ray surveys. Future important work based on new SZ (SPT, Planck) and optical catalogues as well as next-generation X-ray surveys (eROSITA/WFXT).

[SCALING RELATION] A tight, well-determined scaling relation between survey observable (e.g.  $L_x$ ) and mass, with minimal intrinsic scatter.

## The BCS, REFLEX and MACS X-ray survey data



BCS (Ebeling et al. '98, '00)  
 $F_x > 4.4 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  .  
78 clusters above  $L_x$  limit.

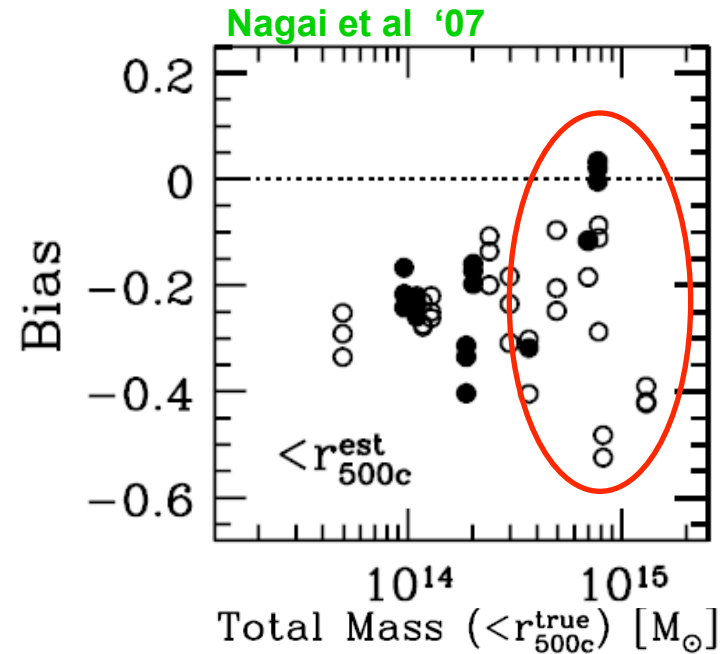
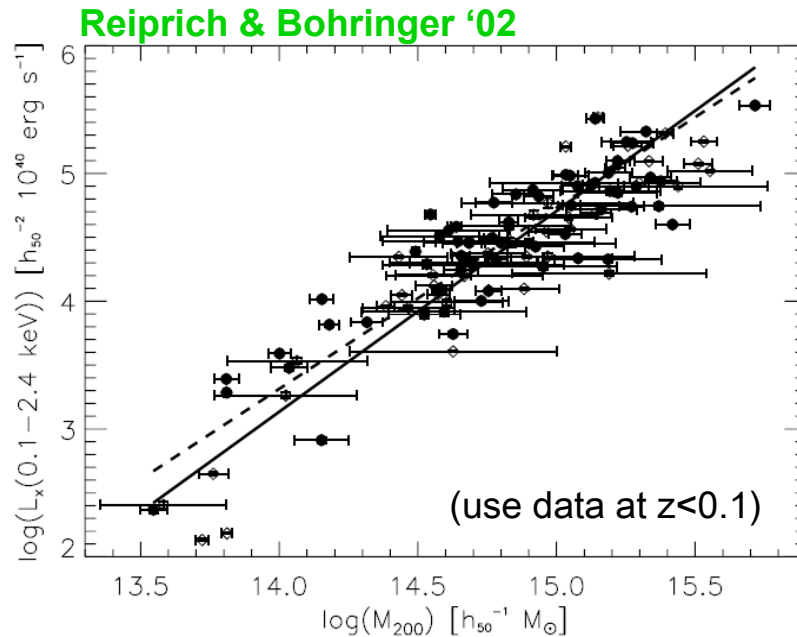
REFLEX (Bohringer et al '04).  
 $F_x > 3.0 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  .  
130 clusters above  $L_x$  limit.

MACS (Ebeling et al. '01, '07)  
 $F_x > 2.0 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  .  
36 clusters above  $L_x$  limit.

244 clusters with  $L_x >$   
 $2.55 \times 10^{44} h_{70}^{-2} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$

To minimize systematic uncertainties, our analysis is limited to most massive, most X-ray luminous clusters with  $L_x > 2.55 \times 10^{44} h_{70}^{-2} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$  (dashed line)

## Scaling relation: X-ray luminosity and mass



M, L both from X-ray observations. Major uncertainty is scale of bulk/turbulent motions in X-ray emitting gas. Can correct for this using hydro. simulations.

Based on sims assume bias  $-25(\pm 5)\%$  and scatter  $\pm 15(\pm 3)\%$  due to bulk motions.

Alternatively, can measure masses via gravitational lensing. Independent method with very different uncertainties. Work on this is underway....

## Fitting the mass-luminosity data

$$E(z)M_{500} = M_0(1+z)^\gamma \left( \frac{L}{E(z)} \right)^\beta \quad \text{Take log} \rightarrow \quad Y = \alpha + \beta X_1 + \gamma X_2 \quad \text{with}$$

$$Y = \log_{10} \left( \frac{E(z)M_{500}}{M_\odot} \right)$$

$$\alpha = \log_{10} \left( \frac{M_0}{M_\odot} \right)$$

$$X_1 = \log_{10} \left( \frac{L}{E(z)10^{44} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)$$

$$X_2 = \log_{10}(1+z)$$

Note: includes allowance for non-similar evolution. We extrapolate measured masses to  $M_{\text{vir}}$  using NFW model with appropriate range of 'concentration'.

Use modified chi-square to associate goodness-of-fit with M-L parameters in presence of intrinsic scatter.  $\delta$  fixed to give best-fit reduced chi-square  $\sim 1$ .

$$\tilde{\chi}^2 = \sum_j \frac{(\alpha + \beta X_{1,j} - Y_j)^2}{\epsilon_{Y,j}^2 + \delta}$$

Estimated log-normal intrinsic dispersion in luminosity for a given mass.

$$\hat{\eta}_0^2 = \frac{1}{\nu} \sum_j \left[ \left( \frac{Y_j - \alpha_f}{\beta_f} - X_{1,j} \right)^2 - \epsilon_{X_{1,j}}^2 - \left( \frac{\epsilon_{Y,j}}{\beta_f} \right)^2 \right]$$

# Cosmological analysis

Fitted model parameters:  $h, \Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \sigma_8, n_s, w, A, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta_0, \eta_1, B$ .

Log likelihood  $l = l_{\alpha\beta} + l_{\eta} + l_{XLF}$  with

$$l_{\alpha\beta} = -\tilde{\chi}^2 / 2 \quad (\text{M-L goodness of fit}),$$

$$l_{\eta} = (k-1)\ln(x) - \frac{x}{\theta} - k \ln(\theta)$$

(2<sup>nd</sup> term penalizes models for which measured intrinsic dispersion in mass-luminosity relation,  $\hat{\eta}_0$ , is different from model dispersion,  $\eta_0$ ) and

$$l_{XLF} = \sum_i \ln \left( d_L^2 \frac{dV}{dz} \frac{d\tilde{n}}{d\hat{L}} \Big|_{z_i, \hat{L}_i} \right) + \int dz d\hat{L} \frac{dV}{dz} \frac{d\tilde{n}}{d\hat{L}}$$

true luminosity,  $L$   
detected luminosity,  $\hat{L}$   
predicted no. density,  $\tilde{n}$

with 
$$\frac{d\tilde{n}(z, \hat{L})}{d\hat{L}} = f_{sky}(z, \hat{L}) \int_0^{\infty} dL P(\hat{L} | L) \int_0^{\infty} dM_{500} P(L | M_{500}) \frac{dn(z, M_{vir})}{dM_{vir}} \frac{M_{vir}}{M_{500}}$$

# Priors and allowances for systematic uncertainties

Our full analysis includes the following priors and conservative allowances for systematic uncertainties:

## 1) Cosmological parameters (not needed if CMB data employed)

Hubble constant, $h$	$0.72 \pm 0.08$ (standard), $0.72 \pm 0.24$ (weak)
baryon density, $\Omega_b h^2$	$0.0214 \pm 0.0020$ (standard), $0.0214 \pm 0.0060$ (weak)
spectral index, $n_s$	0.95 fixed (standard), $0.9 < n_s < 1.0$ (weak)

## 2) Jenkins mass function

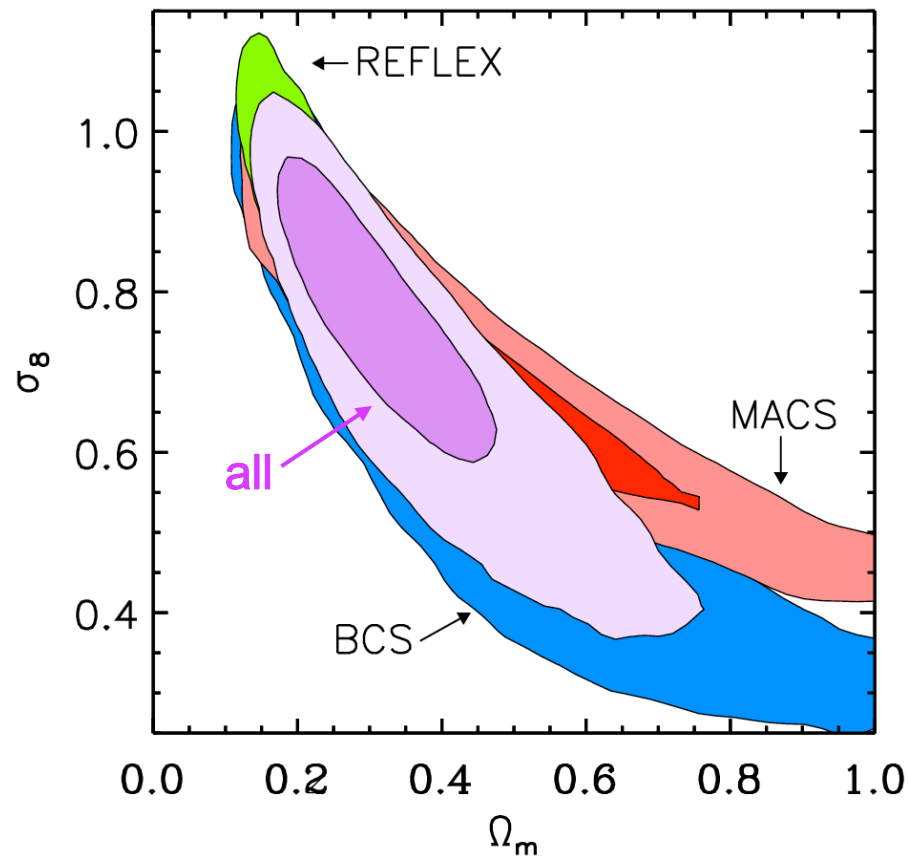
normalization, $A$	$\pm 20\%$ (standard), $\pm 40\%$ (weak)
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## 3) Mass-luminosity relation

non-thermal pressure support	$25 \pm 5\%$ (standard), $25 \pm 10\%$ (weak)
non-thermal pressure scatter	$15 \pm 3\%$ (standard), $15 \pm 6\%$ (weak),
evolution of M-L scatter	$\pm 20\%$ uniform (standard), $\pm 40\%$ (weak)
non-self similar M-L evolution	$\pm 20\%$ uniform (standard), $\pm 40\%$ (weak)



## Results on $\sigma_8$ , $\Omega_m$ (flat $\Lambda$ CDM model)



BCS:  $\Omega_m = 0.26 (+0.25, -0.09)$   
 $\sigma_8 = 0.78 (+0.10, -0.37)$

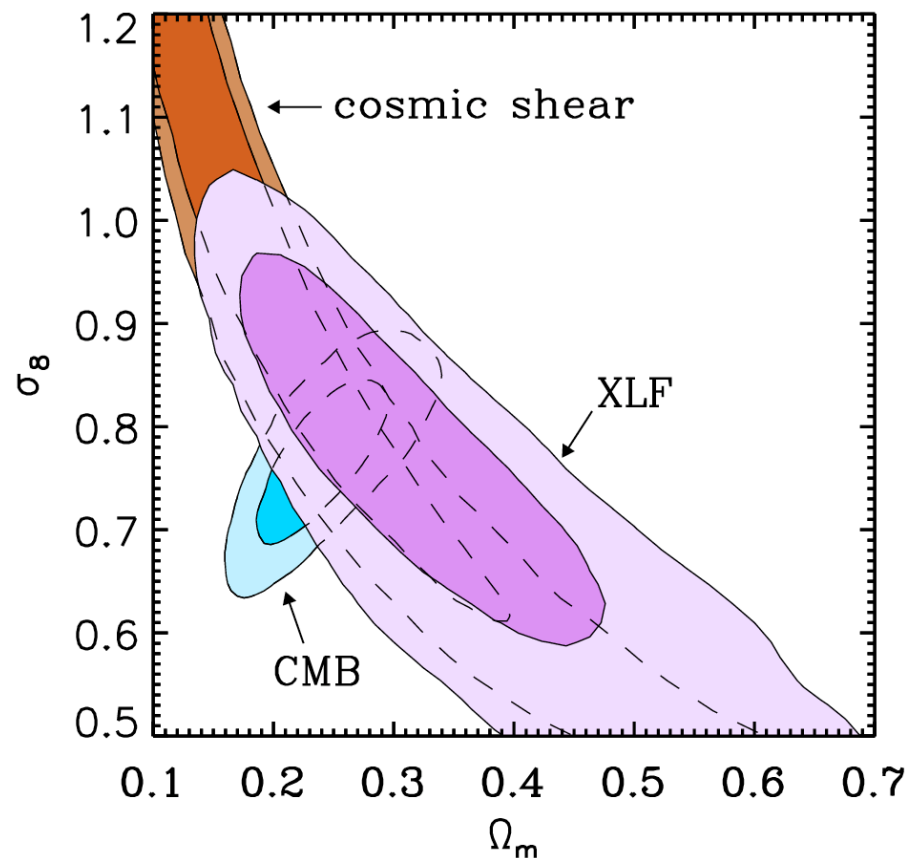
REFLEX:  $\Omega_m = 0.20 (+0.10, -0.04)$   
 $\sigma_8 = 0.85 (+0.10, -0.09)$

MACS:  $\Omega_m = 0.30 (+0.24, -0.10)$   
 $\sigma_8 = 0.73 (+0.14, -0.13)$

Combined constraints (68%)

$\Omega_m = 0.28 (+0.11, -0.07)$   
 $\sigma_8 = 0.78 (+0.11, -0.13)$

## Comparison with best other current results on $\sigma_8$ , $\Omega_m$



### Flat $\Lambda$ CDM model:

X-ray cluster number counts  
(Mantz et al. '08; this study)

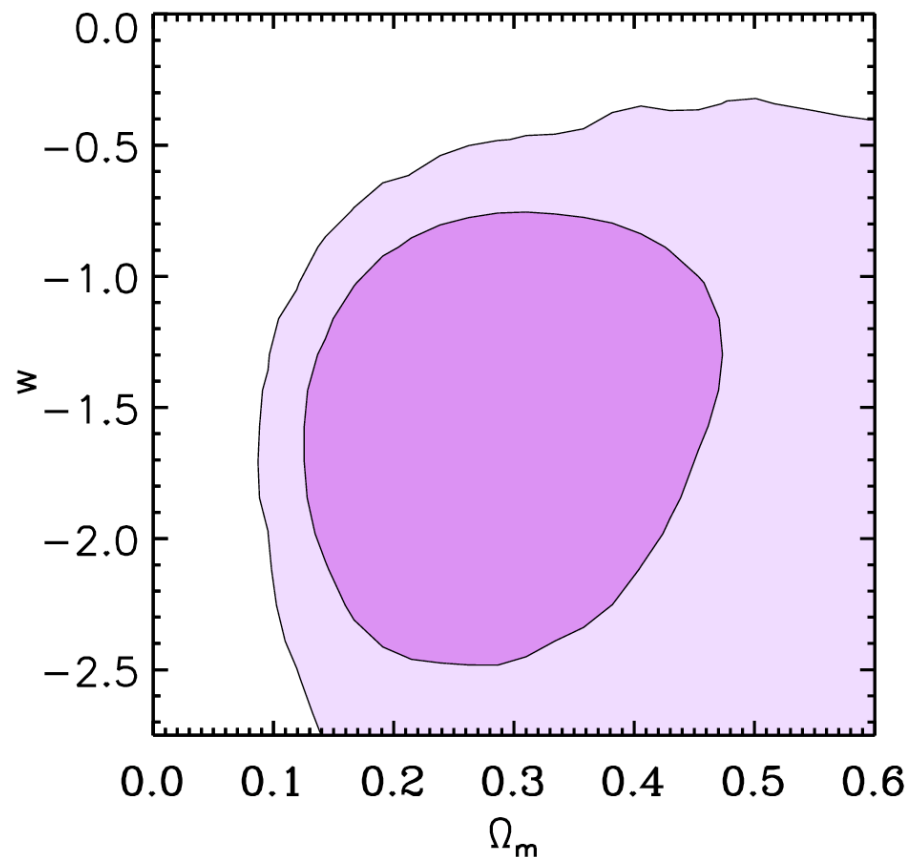
CMB data (WMAP3)

Cosmic Shear (weak lensing)  
100 square degree survey  
(Benjamin et al. '07)

68.3, 95.4% confidence  
limits shown in all cases.

Good agreement between results from 3 independent astrophysical methods

## Results on dark energy



### Flat, constant w model:

REFLEX+BCS+MACS ( $z < 0.7$ ).  
242 clusters,  $L_x > 2.55 \times 10^{44}$  erg/s.  
2/3 sky.  $n(M, z)$  only.

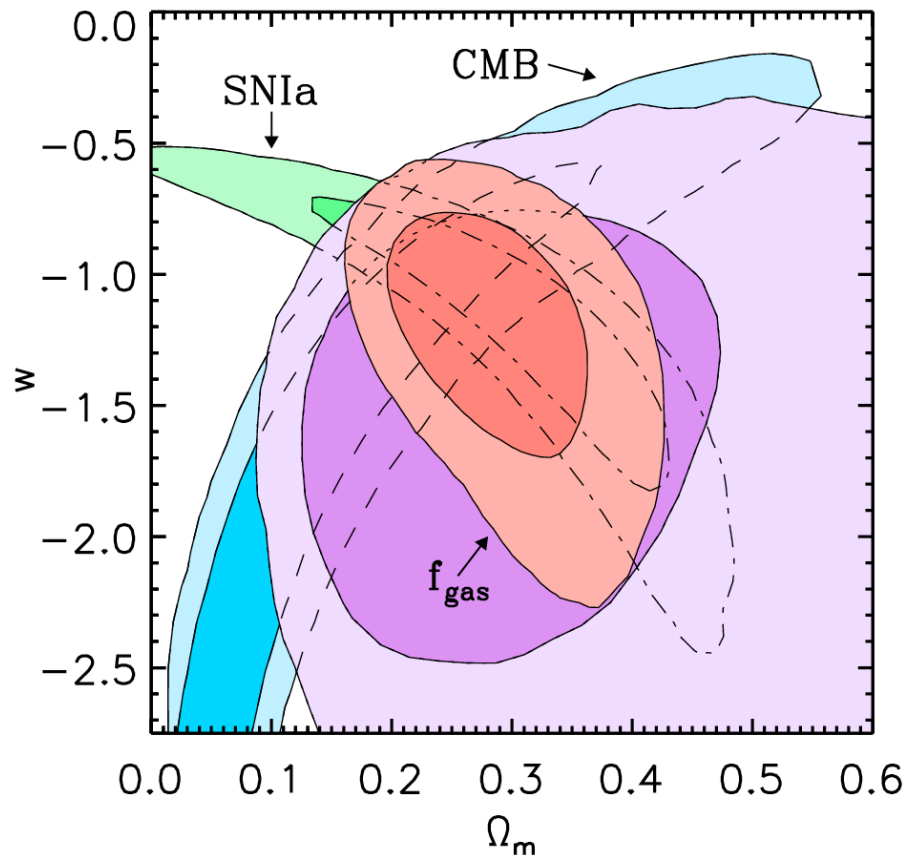
68.3, 95.4% confidence limits

Marginalized constraints (68%)

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_m &= 0.24 (+0.15, -0.07) \\ \sigma_8 &= 0.85 (+0.13, -0.20) \\ w &= -1.4 (+0.4, -0.7)\end{aligned}$$

**First constraint on w from a cluster growth of structure experiment**

## Comparison with best other constraints on dark energy



### Flat, constant $w$ model:

X-ray cluster number counts  
(Mantz et al. '08)

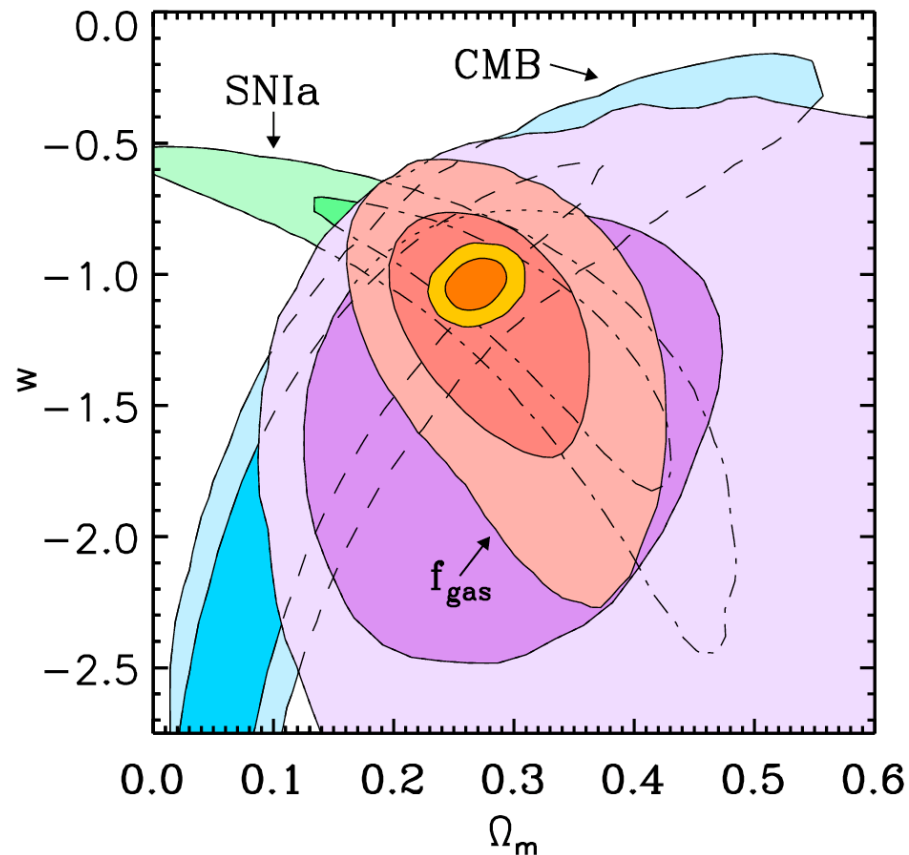
X-ray cluster  $f_{\text{gas}}$  analysis  
(Allen et al '08)

CMB data (WMAP-3yr)  
(Spergel et al '07)

SNIa data (Davis et al. '07  
(192 SNIa, ESSENCE+  
SNLS+HST+nearby).

Good agreement between all 4 completely independent techniques. All data sets independently consistent with cosmological constant ( $w = -1$ ) model.

## Combined constraint on dark energy



Flat, constant  $w$  model:

**XLF+ $f_{\text{gas}}$ +WMAP3+SNIa**

Marginalized constraints (68%)

$$\Omega_m = 0.269 \pm 0.016$$

$$\sigma_8 = 0.82 \pm 0.03$$

$$w = -1.02 \pm 0.06$$

**Combined constraint consistent with cosmological constant to 6% precision.**

## Conclusions

$f_{\text{gas}}(z)$  data for largest relaxed clusters  $\rightarrow$  tight constraints on  $\Omega_M$ ,  $\Omega_\Lambda$  and  $w$  via absolute distance measurements.

$$\Omega_M = 0.27 \pm 0.06 \quad \Omega_\Lambda = 0.86 \pm 0.19 \quad (w = -1.14 \pm 0.31)$$

Measurements of the growth of X-ray luminous clusters spanning  $0 < z < 0.7$   
 $\rightarrow$  independent constraints on  $\Omega_M$ ,  $\sigma_8$  and  $w$ .

$$\Omega_M = 0.28 (+0.11, -0.07) \quad \sigma_8 = 0.78 (+0.11, -0.13) \quad (w = -1.4 +0.4, -0.7)$$

The combination of X-ray growth of structure,  $f_{\text{gas}}$ , CMB and SNIa data already constrain dark energy to be consistent with cosmological constant at 6% level.

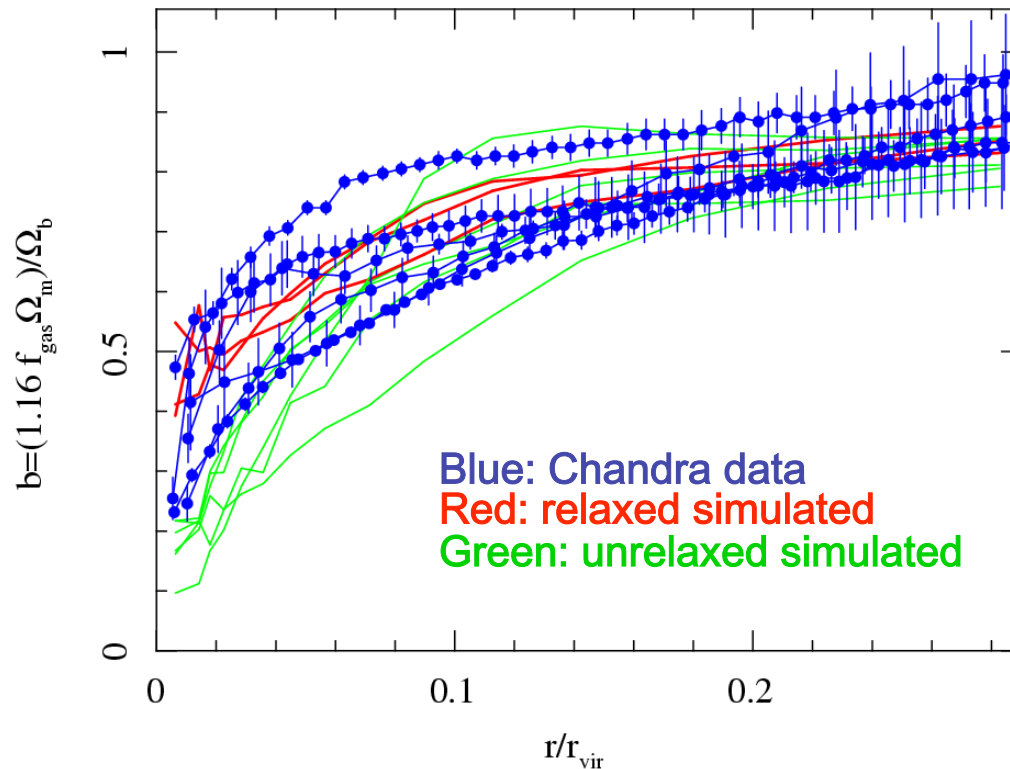
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**Immediate next steps (current data):** explore implications for dark energy vs. modified gravity models, species-summed neutrino mass etc.

**Future:** more X-ray data, gravitational lensing studies (M-L), improved hydro. simulations, new X-ray/SZ surveys, Constellation-X/XEUS.

**Further checks for systematics  
in the fgas experiment**

## Comparison of observed and simulated fgas profiles



Good agreement with  
non-radiative sims.

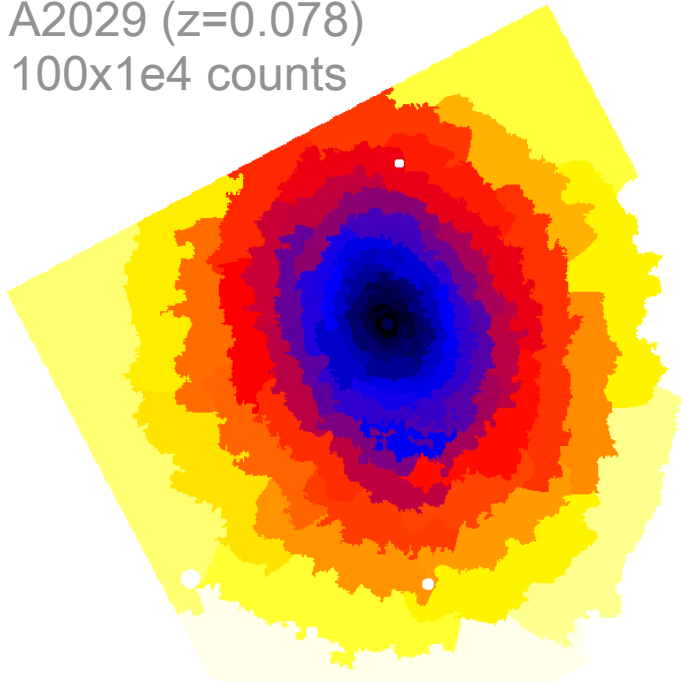
New large hydro. simulations, constrained to match X-ray+optical observations, should significantly reduce uncertainties  $b(z)$  → improved constraints.



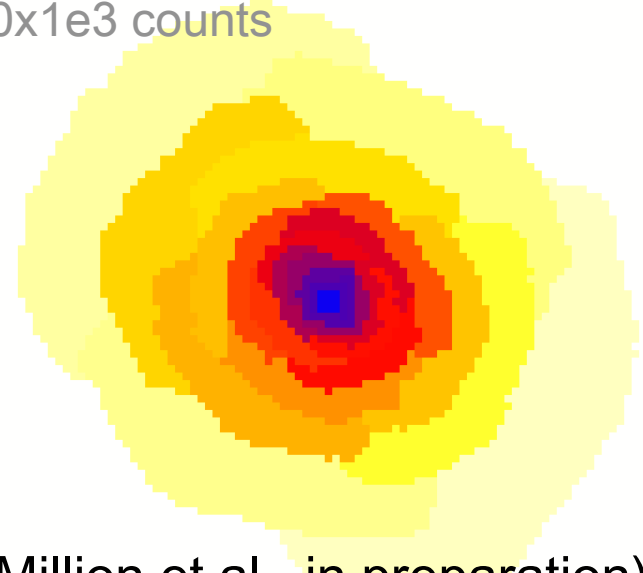
# Checks on hydrostatic assumption 1

X-ray pressure maps: (from projected kT and emission measure)

A2029 ( $z=0.078$ )  
100x1e4 counts



MS2137-2353 ( $z=0.313$ )  
40x1e3 counts



(Million et al., in preparation)

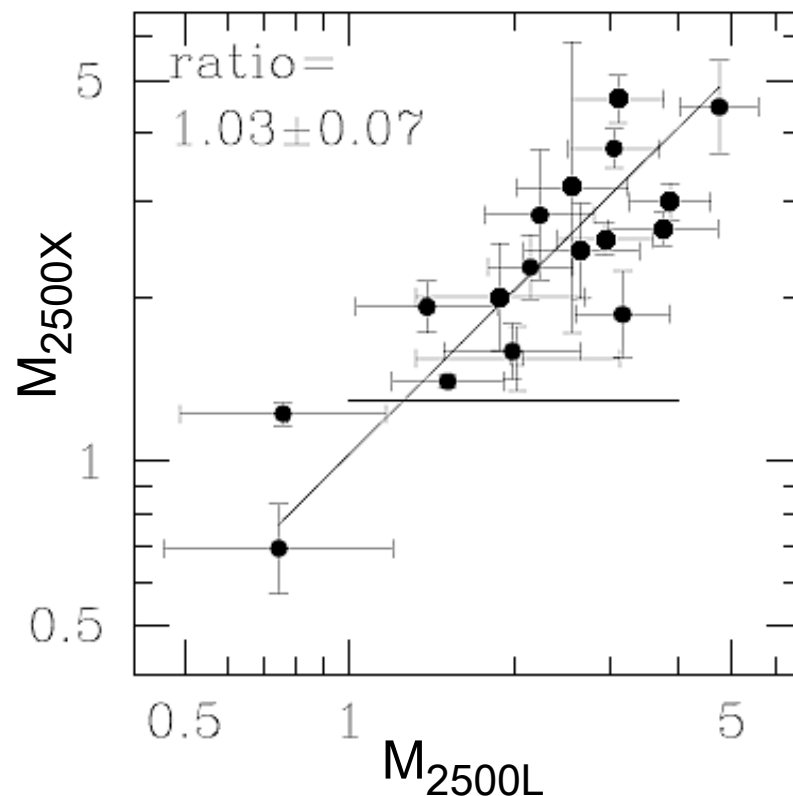
X-ray pressure maps can reveal departures from hydrostatic equilibrium.

Analysis confirms dynamically relaxed nature of target clusters.

## Checks on hydrostatic assumption 2

Gravitational lensing: provides an independent way to measure cluster masses that is independent of the dynamical state of the matter .

Ambitious lensing study underway (with A. von der Linden, D. Applegate, P. Kelly, M. Bradac, M. Allen, G. Morris, D. Burke, P. Burchat, H. Ebeling): 50+ clusters with deep, multi-color Subaru+HST+spectroscopic data (in progress).

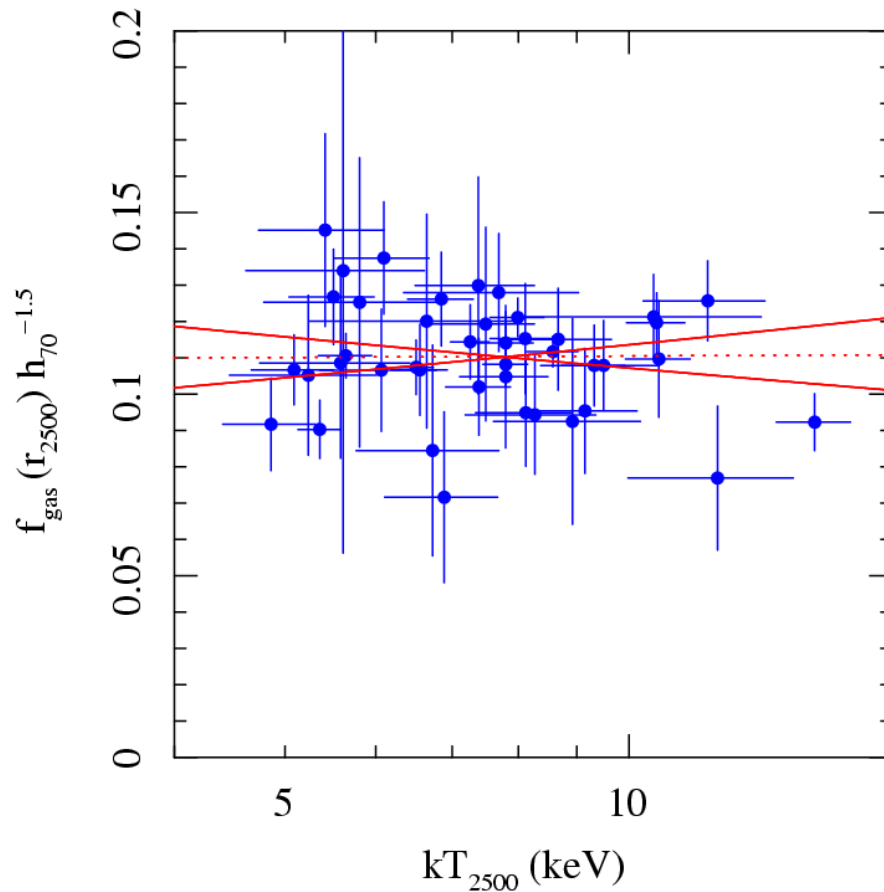


Also work by other groups.

Initial findings by Mahdavi et al. (2008) suggests little systematic offset between X-ray and lensing masses measured within  $r_{2500}$  on average.

See also Bradac et al 2008, ApJ, in press (astro-ph/0711.4850)

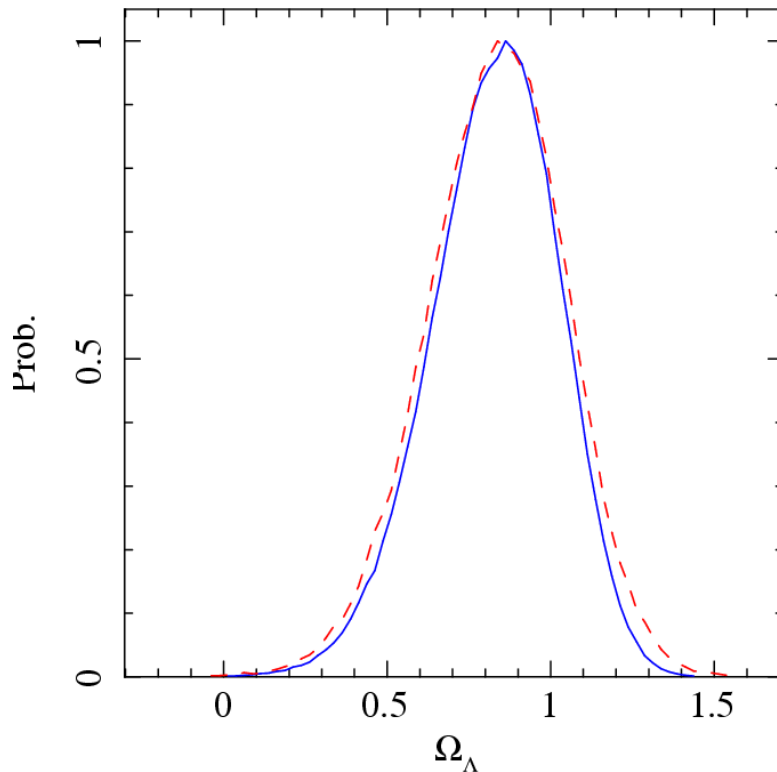
## A systematic trend of $f_{\text{gas}}$ with temperature?



We find no evidence for a trend of  $f_{\text{gas}}$  with  $kT$  in the Chandra data for  $kT > 5 \text{ keV}$ .

Best-fit power-law model is consistent with a constant. (plot shows 2-sigma limits).

## Marginalized results on dark energy ( $\Lambda$ CDM)



Blue: standard priors on  $\Omega_b h^2, h$ .

$$\Omega_\Lambda = 0.86 \pm 0.19$$

Red: weak (3x) priors on  $\Omega_b h^2, h$ .

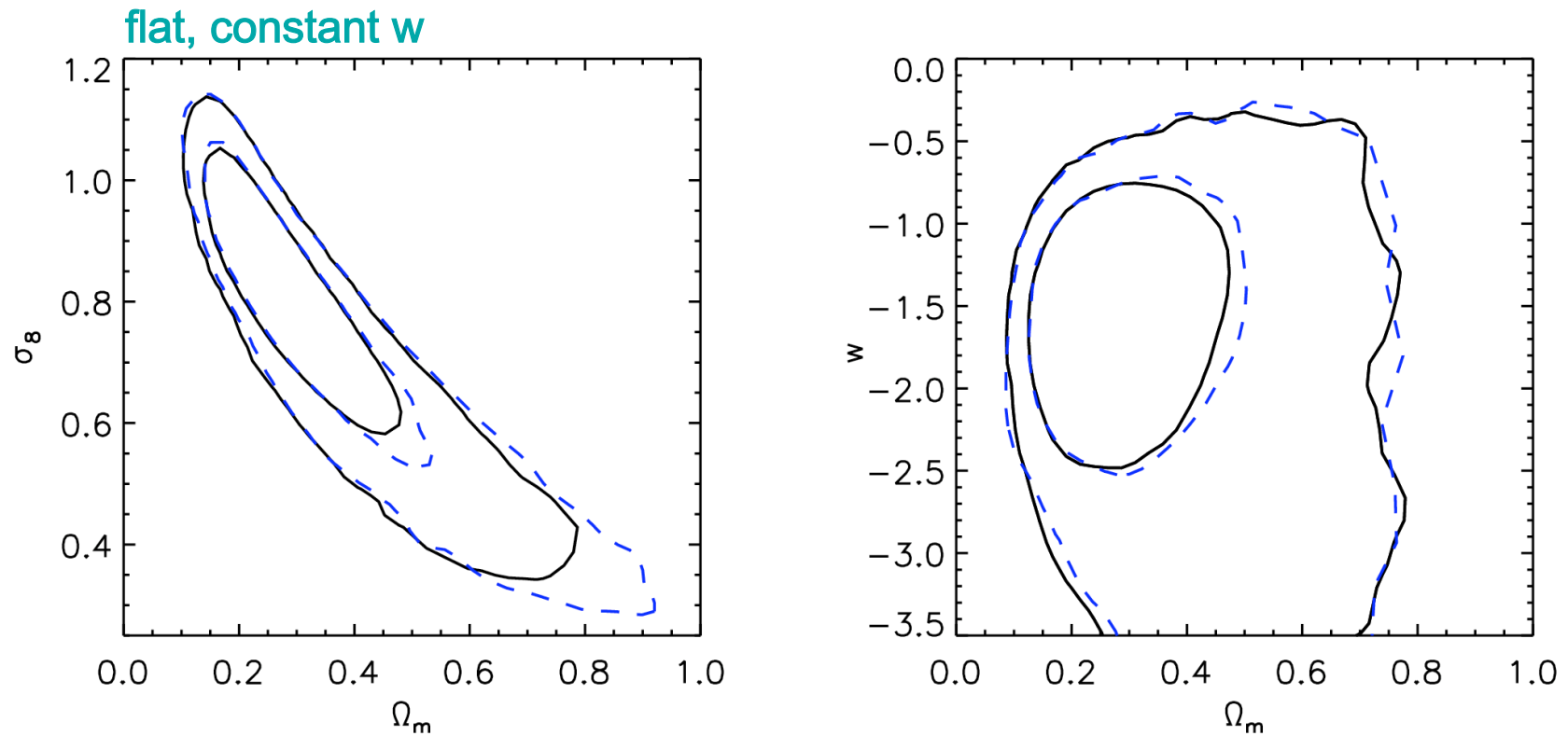
$$\Omega_\Lambda = 0.86 \pm 0.21$$

(99.99% significance detection,  
comparable precision to best  
current SNIa studies combined)

Like SNIa studies,  $f_{\text{gas}}(z)$  data measure  $d(z)$  directly and show Universe is accelerating. Note astrophysics relatively simple and very different from SNIa.

**Exploring the sensitivity to priors,  
scatter and systematic allowances  
in the XLF analysis**

## Effects of relaxing the priors ( $n_s$ )

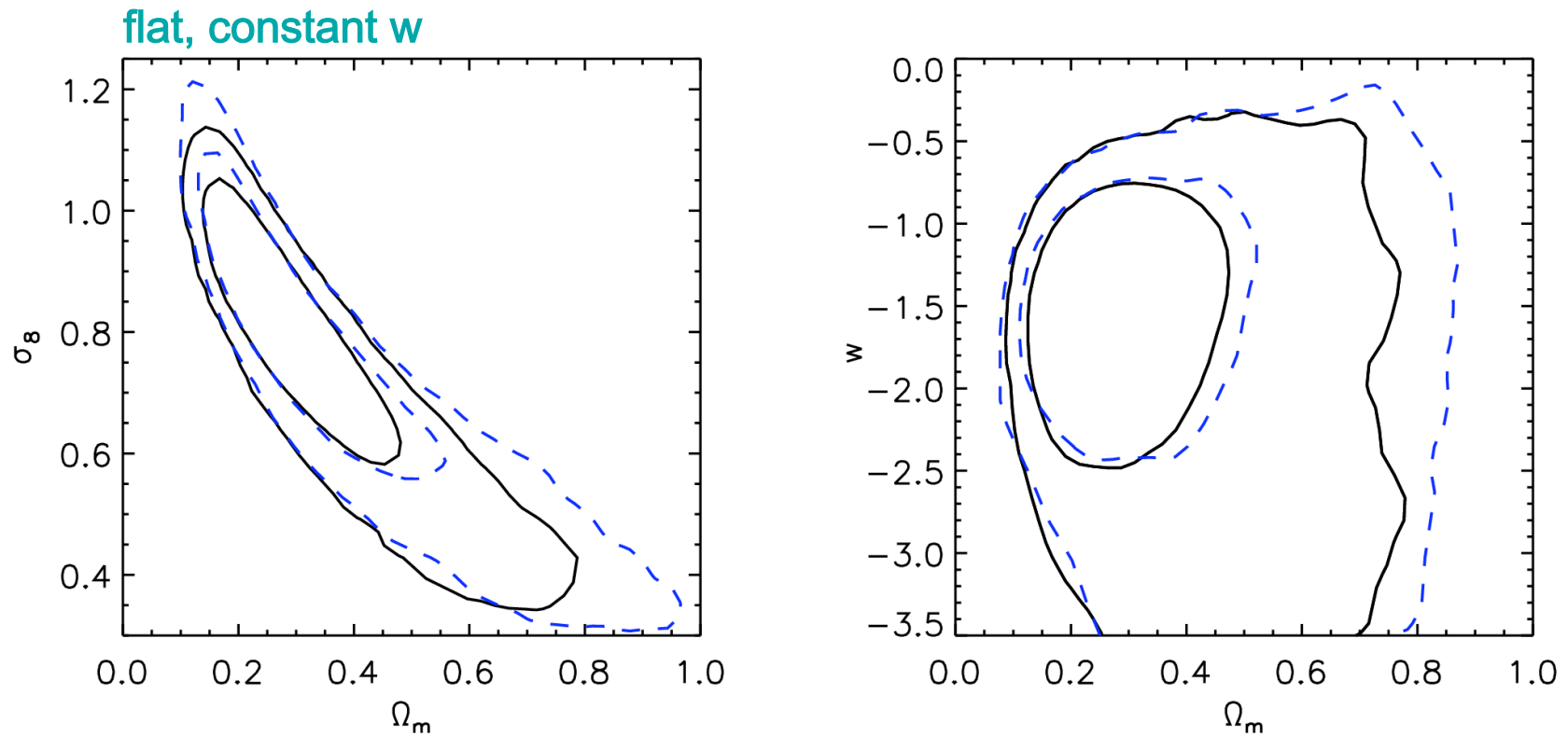


Black solid: standard priors ( $n_s=0.95$ )

Blue dash: weak priors ( $0.9 < n_s < 1.0$ )

Conclusions: results relatively insensitive to prior on  $n_s$

## Effects of relaxing the priors ( $\Omega_b h^2$ , $h$ )

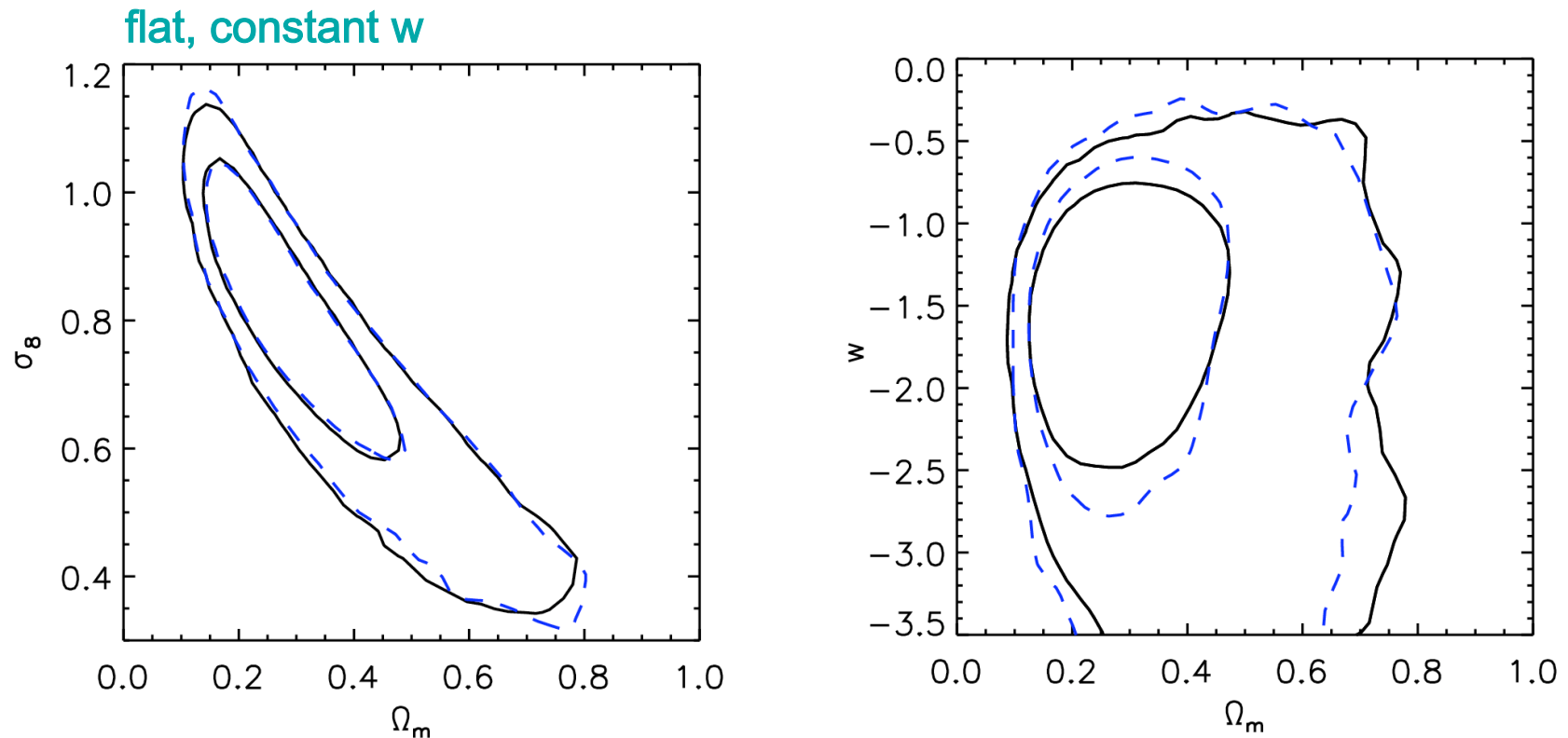


Black solid: standard priors

Blue dash: weak priors (triple)

Conclusions: results relatively insensitive to priors on  $\Omega_b h^2$ ,  $h$ .

## Effects of relaxing the priors (self-similar evolution)



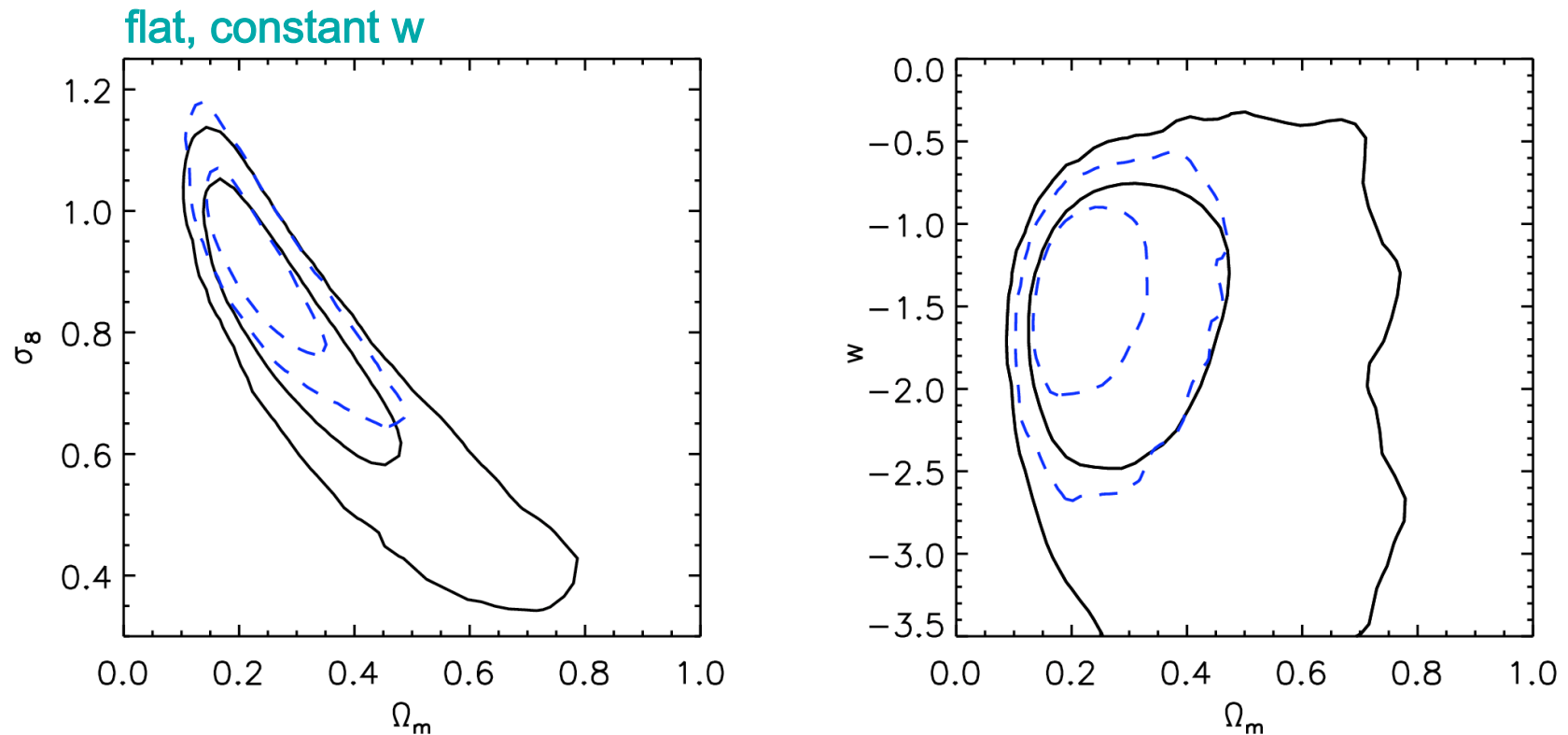
Black solid: standard priors (20%)

Blue dash: weak priors (40%)

Conclusions: results relatively insensitive to prior on  $\gamma$ .



## Effects of ignoring scatter (Poisson errors: survey fluxes)

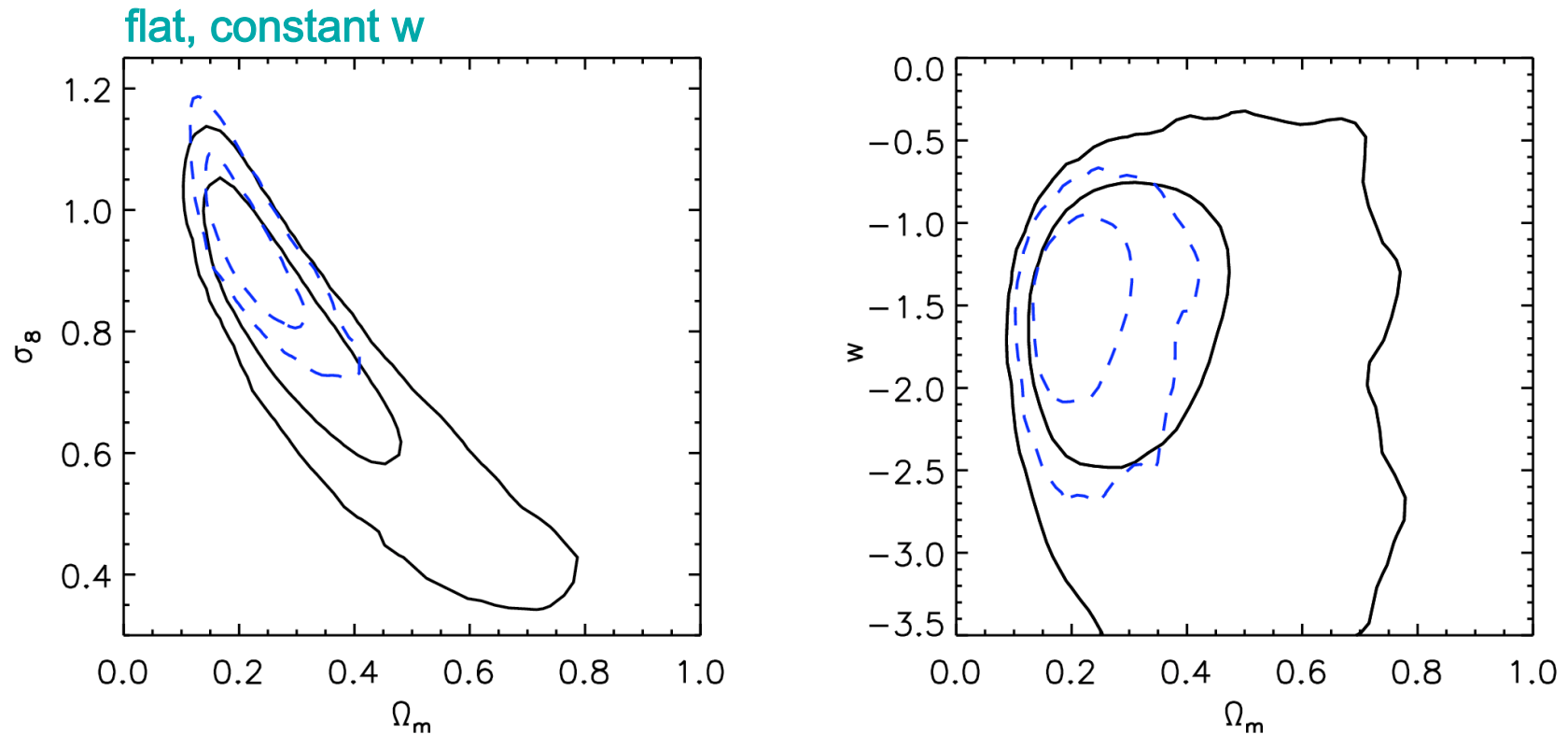


Black solid: standard analysis

Blue dash: ignore Poisson errors

Conclusions: some shift in  $\sigma_8$ ,  $\Omega_m$   
significant underestimation of uncertainties.

## Effects of ignoring scatter (intrinsic M-Lx scatter)

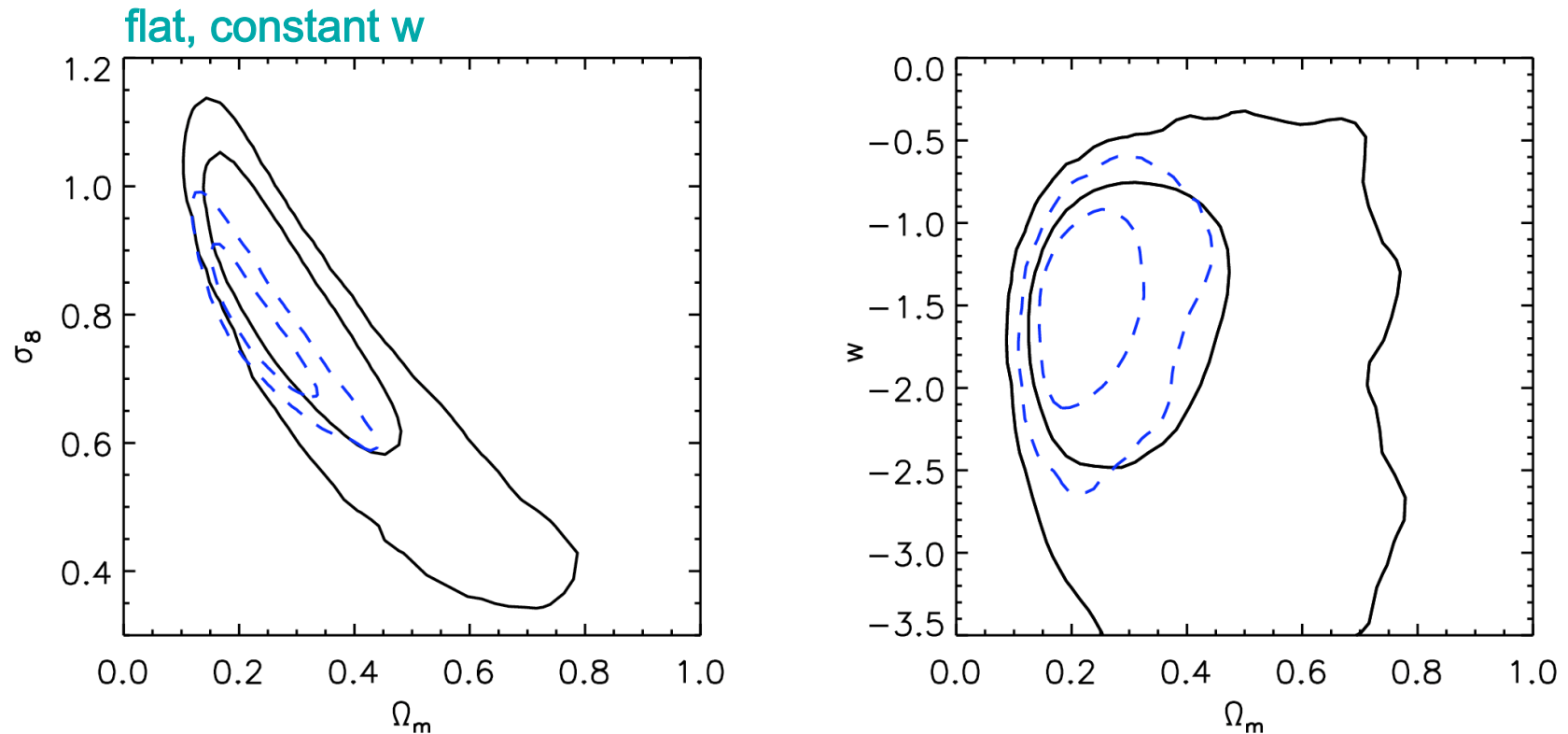


Black solid: standard analysis

Blue dash:  $\eta=0$  (zero scatter)

Conclusions: some shift in  $\sigma_8$ ,  $\Omega_m$   
significant underestimation of uncertainties

## Correction for non-thermal pressure support



Black solid: standard analysis ( $25\pm 5\%$  correction)

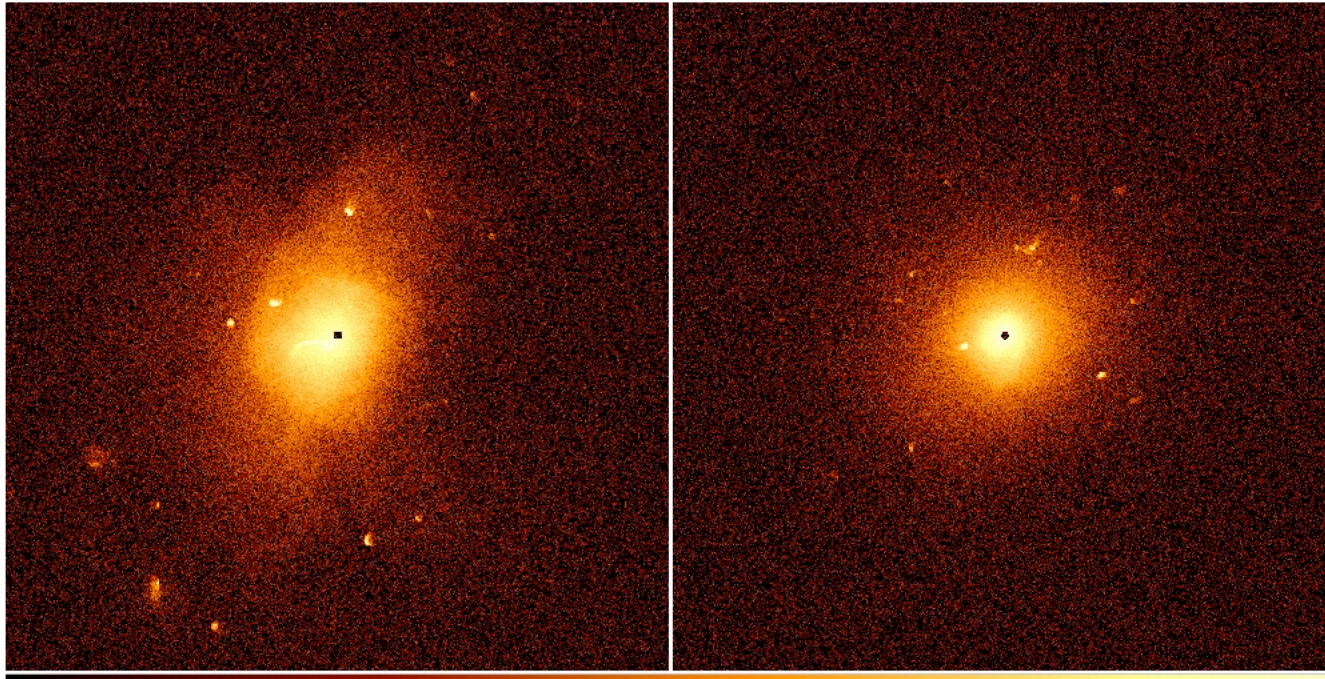
Blue dash: no correction for non-thermal pressure

Conclusions: significant shift in  $\sigma_8$   
significant underestimation of uncertainties

**What do simulations predict?**

# Hydro simulations of X-ray clusters

Nagai, Vikhlinin & Kravtsov '07

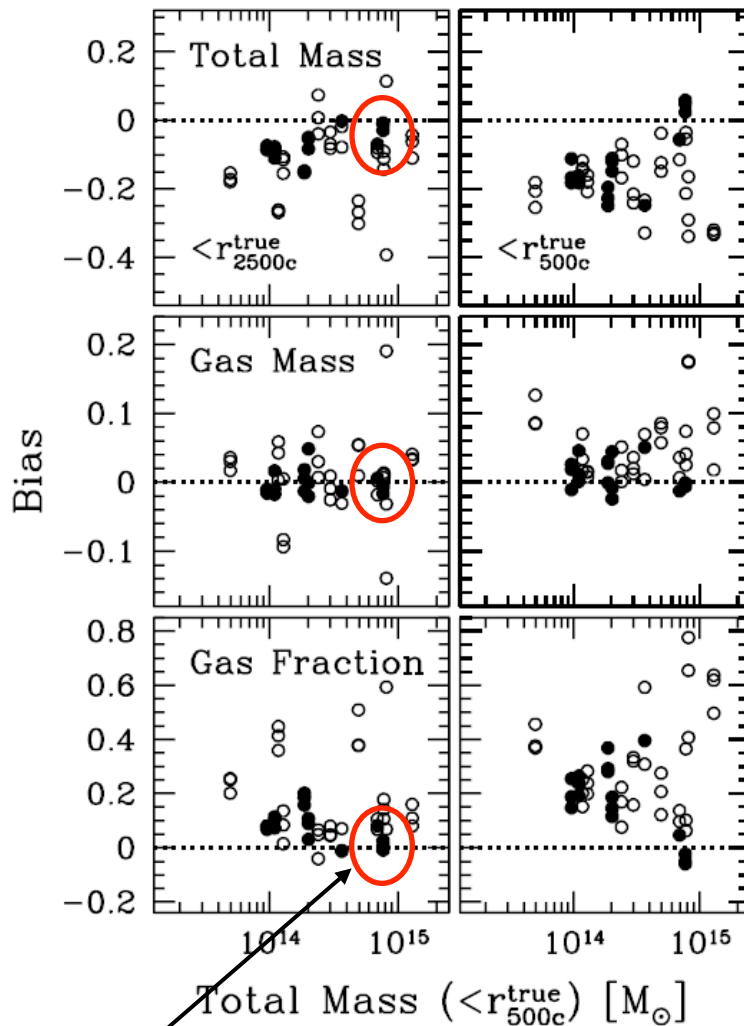


Large, independent programs have been undertaken to simulate X-ray observations of clusters using state-of-the-art hydro codes and selecting/analysing these systems in an identical manner to real observations.

The most recent results have provided good news for X-ray cluster cosmology: systematics are moderate-to-small and can be quantified.

## For relaxed clusters, X-ray studies → precise masses

Nagai, Vikhlinin & Kravtsov '07



Relaxed clusters (filled circles)

For largest, relaxed clusters (selected on X-ray morphology) at  $r_{2500}$  we expect to measure:

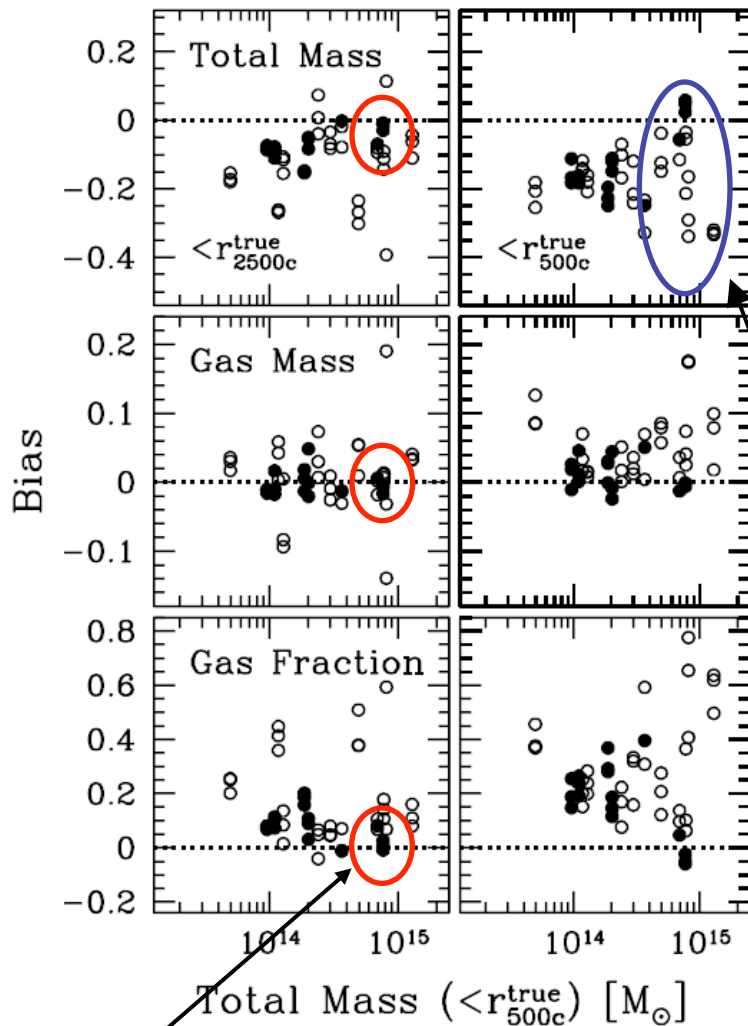
X-ray gas mass to ~1% accuracy.

Total mass and fgas to several % accuracy (both bias and scatter).

Primary uncertainty (beyond innermost core) is residual bulk motions in gas.

## For unrelaxed clusters → corrections required

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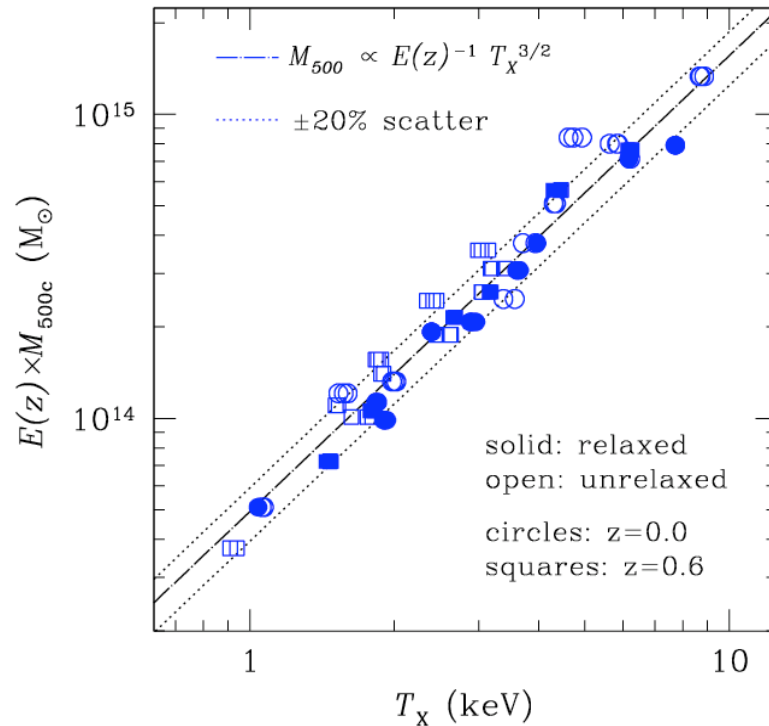
Primary uncertainty (beyond innermost core) is residual bulk motions in gas.

For general cluster population and larger measurement radius ( $r_{500}$ ):

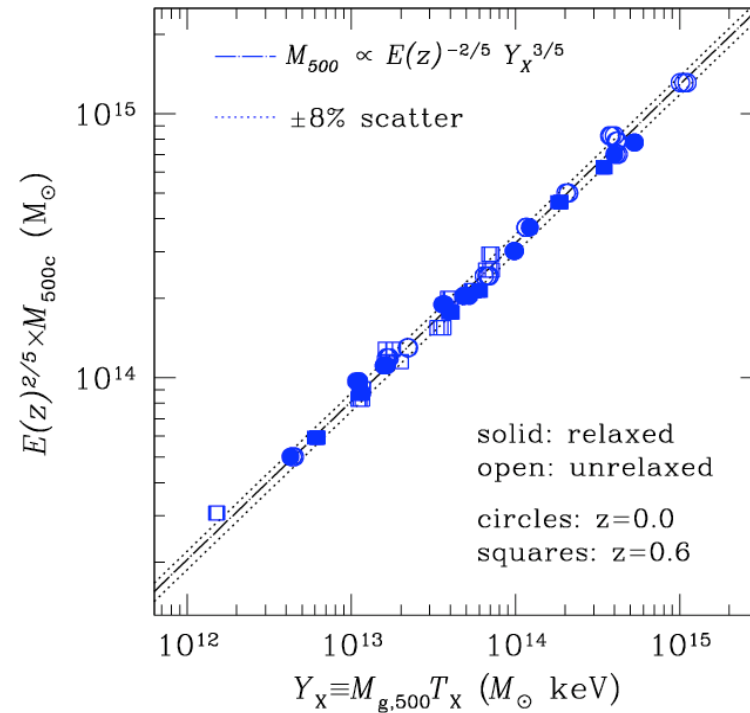
Corrections of 20-30% to total mass measurements from X-rays required.



# X-ray observables correlate tightly with mass



Kravtsov, Nagai, Vikhlinin '06



- The correlations are tight and independent of the background cosmology.
- Good match to observations (at least beyond innermost core)



## Current best cluster surveys in X-rays

### Low-redshifts ( $z < 0.3$ ):

ROSAT Brightest Cluster Sample (BCS): Ebeling et al. '98, '00). Based on RASS (northern sky). 201 clusters with  $F_x > 4.4 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (0.1-2.4keV). 78 massive clusters with  $L_x > 2.55 \times 10^{44} h_{70}^{-2} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$ . ~100% complete.

REFLEX (Bohringer et al '04). Based on RASS (southern sky). 447 clusters with  $F_x > 3.0 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (0.1-2.4keV). 130 massive clusters with  $L_x > 2.55 \times 10^{44} h_{70}^{-2} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$  and  $F_x > 3.0 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . ~100% complete.

### Intermediate redshifts ( $0.3 < z < 0.7$ ):

MACS (Ebeling et al '01, '07). Based on RASS (whole sky: 23000 sq. deg). 124 clusters with  $F_x > 10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (0.1-2.4keV). 36 massive clusters with  $F_x > 2.0 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $L_x > 2.55 \times 10^{44} h_{70}^{-2} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$ . ~100% complete.

\*Also note ROSAT 400 sq. degree survey (Vikhlinin et al '08). ROSAT serendipitous cluster catalogue. 266 groups/clusters with  $F_x > 1.4 \times 10^{-13} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . (100% redshift complete).